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EVENTS OF INTEREST AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

A Chatty and Interesting Letter Giving Sidelight Events at the Seat of Government.

TOPICS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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Washington, D. C., December 30.

The Democrats claim that they have a walk-away in 1916.

The Republicans assert that the country is already tired of the Democratic administration, and they charge that the low tariff has been producing hard times. Their theory is that they will have a walk-away in 1916.

Progressives confidently assert that the only strength in either one of the old parties remain in the pledges to the people that they will carry out Progressive principles in the future. They assert that notwithstanding the fact that they slumped nearly three-fourths of their strength in the recent election, that the reason all laid in the fact that the Progressives joined with the Republicans simply to lick the Democrats. These Progressives insist that in a national election where a President is to be voted for that the most progressive members of both the old parties will stand together for real progressive progressivism under the Progressive banner in 1916.

The Prohibition party is "perking up" and its members assert that the country is coming around to their idea by leaps and bounds. Their joy knows no bounds since they attained a majority in the House of Representatives on the question of constitutional amendment providing for national prohibition.

Who will deny that America is next door to political Utopia, since early every one interested in politics can figure out their coming victories?

THE POSTOFFICE SURPLUS.

Former Postmaster General Hitchcock claimed to have achieved a surplus in the Postoffice Department, but no sooner did he lose himself in the mining regions of Arizona than his successor, General Burleson, challenged the statement, and claimed that there had been a deficit of nearly a million dollars. Now the Postmaster General asserts that he has a real surplus of receipts of $3,500 000 or more, over operating expenses. Perhaps it serves Mr. Burleson right to have the critics refuse to admit his claim. They declare that if all the general expenses were paid from postal receipts, and not from the Treasury direct, that the surplus would vanish into thin air. Postmaster Generals have been juggling with the puzzles of surplus and deficits for years, principally because there has never been an intelligent accounting in the Postoffice Department. They do not know, and neither does anyone else know, the true state of postoffice finances. Millions of dollars worth of public property and buildings owned and occupied by the Government appear to obscure the power of the Department to arrive at a true balance.

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS.

The evidence is strong that the people who would dig into conditions surrounding the lack of national preparedness are losing ground. President Wilson and the "War Ministers" of the Cabinet promptly discouraged a Congressional investigation, and former President Taft came to the support of the Administration in saying that such investigations are useless. The result of the agitation indicates that the numerous investigations which have heretofore been had along these lines produced more information than the country is willing or able to use. Uncle Sam apparently has a lot of cards up his sleeve which he could use in the war game if it really became necessary.

IT'S A LONG WAY.

As a result of his recent unfortunate experience before the Supreme Court, it has been suggested at the National Capital that Harry K. Thaw might revise the words "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," and substitute "It's a Long Way to Freedom."

THE CALIFORNIA EXPOSITIONS.

It has been announced that the opening of the San Diego Exposition has been postponed for several weeks. The San Francisco Exposition apparently has become a sort of side issue for the San Diego affair, if one is to judge conditions by the representation given to the two shows in the public print. Both expositions claim, as the reason for their existence that they are commemorating the completion of the Panama canal, and while in these troublesome war times the Panama canal is remaining neutral yet there appears to be little neutrality among the competing expositions. The California people are, to outward appearances, working without friction, yet it is a well known fact that one of the big transcontinental railroads is backing the San Diego proposition as a competitor of the San Francisco fair. The experiences of past years has demonstrated that one great exposition has been sufficient to satisfy everybody for a period of several years, but California is defying the fates and is attempting to pull off a double header. Of course, it is unfortunate for the promoters of the expositions that there should be a great war to detract attention from the magnificent fairylands they claim to have created. Perhaps the most disastrous feature will be the discouragement of exhibitors. The California people are keeping mum about this important phase of the situation. The schemes by which people are induced to save up their money, or enter competitions to secure transportation to California are not producing much enthusiasm California is a great state and a wonderful show in itself, but the indications are that it has an overdose of expositions.

FIFTY YEARS AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Colonel William H. Crook is chief disbursing officer at the White House. On January 5th he will complete his fifty years of service as a White House employee. Colonel Crook was the bodyguard of President Lincoln and he has known the family life and habits of every occupant of the Executive Mansion for half a century. At one time he wrote his reminiscences, and they were published in the Saturday Evening Post. Through chivalry he made it appear that all our Presidents were fine men. Colonel Crook was the bodyguard of President Lincoln and was constantly with him in the Civil War. He was off duty the night Lincoln was assassinated. He is the grand old man at the White House lot.

THE LITERACY TEST.

The Washington government realizes that now more than ever that there should be intelligent legislation in reference to immigration. President Wilson reiterates the contentions of President Taft, who vetoed an immigration bill just before the close of his term, that the literacy test is fair neither to the immigrant nor to the country. While the United States has held open its doors to desirable immigrants, yet there has been a strong sentiment that more restrictive methods should be adopted. Evidently President Wilson and his predecessor believe that all other conditions being favorable, it is time enough for immigrants to learn to read and write the English language after entering upon their residence in this country.

LOST—1000 JOBS.

In 1900 there was concluded authority under the Census Act for taking an agricultural census of the United States, but no money was appropriated for that purpose. In view of the fact that the Democratic Congressman has been distressed by questions of patronage the scheme was evolved recently to appropriate something over $2,000,000 to defray the cost of the proposed census. There was no attempt to deny that the purpose of the legislation was to give "sop" to 1000 hungry Democrats. But it didn't work—Congressmen dare not do these things any more, even though there might be a disposition to do so.

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE.

A committee of the United States Senate has been holding hearings upon the bill designed to give ultimate independence to the Philippine Islands. It is determined that such a policy will be carried out, but there appears to be a great deal of lack of decision as to the manner in which this is to be brought about.

EDGELY

A number of venturesome boys from Florence crossed the river on the ice at this point on Sunday afternoon, although the river was open below Edgely for a long distance

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Kensil and John E. Sowden of Philadelphia, spent from Saturday until Monday with relatives at Edgely

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver R Frazier and children, of Riverview, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs Frazier's parents at Millville, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. William M Remine, of "Cozy Nook," spent Christmas with relatives at Roxborough Philadelphia.

A broken trolley wire at the Edgely avenue switch on Monday evening caused considerable inconvenience to the people living above that point.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Frazier, of Riverview, spent the Christmas holidays with friends at Minatola, N. J., near Atlantic City

Charles T Blackford and nephew, Roy Dixon will leave next week for Jamaica for a short visit

Misses Mamie and Helen Lisher, of Edgely, spent part of the week with friends in Philadelphia.

A barge loaded with pig iron was grounded just below Edgely one day last week and was fast nearly a whole day, the floating ice piling up several feet over the bow It was the last boat down the river

No clue has been obtained as to the identity of the person or persons who committed the robberies at this place last week but the police are making efforts to trace them

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Blessman and T. Blessman, Jr., of Philadelphia, and Miss Edith Erskine, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr and Mrs. R. C. Lisher, of upper Edgely.

Chicken thieves made a raid on the hen roost of Edward Williams, on the old Edward Pearce farm at this place on Monday night and departed with about thirty choice fowl. Dr. Haines also reports some of his flock among the missing

Electric lights have been strung through Edgely by the Bristol company and a number of our residents will avail themselves of the opportunity of having better lighting facilities.

Mr. and Mrs Elmer Allen and children, and Miss Ellen Barnfield, of Hendley Manor were the guests of Mrs. Allen's mother in Philadelphia on Christmas Day, the occasion being also the celebration of Mr Barnfield's tenth wedding anniversary

Robert C. Lisher, of upper Edgely, has a beautifully decorated and electrically lighted Christmas tree and invites all of his friends and neighbors to come and see it Mr. Lisher has gone to a great deal of trouble and expense to make the tree attractive and has a number of ingenious electrical devices and fancy lights

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pedrick, of Edgely, spent Christmas with the latter's parents at Edgewater Park, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pedrick, of upper Edgely, spent Christmas with the latter's sister at Hulmeville.

Mr. and Mrs Harry Simpson, of upper Edgely, entertained a number of relatives at Christmas dinner on Friday.

George W. Shultz, of Headley Manor, is now able to walk about for a short distance and is improving rapidly.

S. Headley King, one of our oldest and most highly respected residents, died at his home here on Thursday, December 24th, from apoplexy, in his 72d year, after an illness of about three weeks duration Mr. King is survived by four sons and one daughter. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon, with interment in the Bristol cemetery.

George Leonard, of Philadelphia, took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dunlap, at Headley Manor.

PREVENTION VS. CURE

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene By SAMUEL G DIXON, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

The well worn adage to the effect that "an ounce of prevention's worth a pound of cure" has long been accepted as one of the wisest saws.

We are willing to admit that prevention is the thing but too often we stick at the price and then are obliged to pay roundly when the necessity for cure is forced upon us A day at home in bed when one is threatened with a hard cold seems to many people an extravagant waste of time and yet it would be difficult to estimate how many really serious illnesses might be prevented by rest and care in the early stages.

How many parents have suffered the agonies of regret for failing to seek medical advice when their children were suffering from sore throat" and which eventually proved to be diphtheria with terrifying rapidity.

How frequently in severe winter weather we see woman sacrificing comfort and defying common sense in their dress for the sake of what they consider appearances How many men working under strain and physically exhausted try to "buck up" with a few drinks.

These are but a few common examples of the people who will not pay the price for their ounce of prevention. They may partly escape once, twice, a dozen times but in the long run they foot a heavy bill. The physicians' best patients are the men and women who boast of never having a doctor until they are really sick.

Much of the greatest work which has been accomplished in medicine during the past generation has been preventive work. The great future of the art lies in prevention and the time is rapidly approaching when to suffer from many of the now common ailments, will be looked upon by all intelligent people as evidence that the sufferer has been inexcusably neglectful of his own welfare.

Do not hesitate to pay cheerfully the cost of prevention when health is at stake for no investment offers a higher premium than your physical well-being.

Lives of Five Saved.

Neighbors saved the lives of Edward Clee, his wife, two small daughters and a young son, of Morrisville, from asphyxiation by gas on Saturday.

All the members of the family were overcome when neighbors burst open the front door after failing to see the Clees around the house.

MORRISVILLE YOUTH BACK FROM VERA CRUZ

As a Marine Has an Exciting Time in Mexico While Doing Police Duty.

SAW THE FEDERALS IN BATTLE

After eight months of service in Vera Cruz, where he had many thrilling experiences, Amos Shinkle has returned to his father's home in Morrisville, where he is spending a month's furlough.

Young Shinkle enlisted about a year ago while in Baltimore, entering the United States Marine Service. After undergoing the usual three months' training at Norfolk, he boarded the Morro Castle with a regiment of other soldiers and started for the Mexican city, where serious trouble was then brewing.

Shinkle, with the other marines, arrived in Vera Cruz during the height of the trouble, and after the troops took possession of the city, he was assigned to police duty. He served both on outpost and impost duty with the Eleventh Company of the Third Regiment, of which he is a member.

The city was placed under martial law when given to the charge of General Funston. Even after this there were outbreaks and the marines had many escapes from the "snipers," who were bitter against the United States troops. One of the most thrilling experiences of the young marine came when a small group of his fellow-marines, who were guarding the water works, were given ten minutes to surrender by the Federals.

The time elapsed, but the marines had made no effort to surrender and a moment later the Federals opened fire, but after a few shots were exchanged on of Uncle Sam's aeroplanes made its appearance and this scared the enemy away. Some time later about 500 Federals made another attack on the water works, but again an aeroplane appeared and the enemy dispersed.

Shinkle also witnessed a battle between the Federals and Constitutionalists when about 50 Federals drove a detachment from the rebel army into United States territory, during which a number of soldiers were wounded. These wounded soldiers were taken to the Vera Cruz hospital, where they were cared for by Mexicans.

The young marine left Vera Cruz November 23 and landed in Philadelphia. On the return trip the marines were given an excellent Thanksgiving dinner and the trip was extremely pleasant, as all of the boys were glad to again get back to the United States. Shinkle enlisted for four years and he expects to go to the Panama canal zone soon after he returns from his furlough.

The excellent service rendered by the company of which young Shinkle was a member was highly commended by Major General Barnett after their return from the Vera Cruz service, and he especially mentioned the excellent order that was maintained in the city all the time of the Eleventh Company was on duty there.

NEW HOPE PAPER SUSPENDS

The News Ceases Publication After 20 Years' Existence—Kitchin to Start Another.

With last week's issue the New Hope News ceased publication after twenty years of existence. It was originally published by Dr. R. B. Glasgow, of Burlington, N. J., and a few years ago passed into the hands of former State Senator Webster Grim, of Doylestown, who issued it from the office of the Doylestown Democrat, of which he is the principal owner.

The reason given is that the paper failed to receive sufficient local support. Former Postmaster Thomas Stintsman was the local manager, and Mrs. Florence K. Blackfan was the local editor. Theodore G. Kitchin, publisher of the Lambertville Record, announces that he will publish a local paper to be known as The Coryell Courier, beginning with the first Thursday in January, so New Hope will not be without a local newspaper.

Mr. Kitchin conducted the News for Dr. Glasgow three years, ending April 1, 1900. He is a member of the Solebury Farmers' Club, the Coryell's Ferry Community Association and Citizens' Literary Society, and is a grandson of the late Ely Kitchin, who lived the earlier part of his life with his uncle, John Kitchin, near the Solebury Friends' meeting house.

AMBLER EXONERATED

Coroner's Jury Holds Legislator Blameless for Accident.

Assemblyman Charles A. Ambler, of Abington, whose car struck and killed William Forsyth, Sr., in Noble, on the day prior to Christmas, was completely exonerated by a coroner's jury at the inquest held on Saturday. Mrs. Ambler, who was with him in the car at the time of the accident, was not called to testify.

Mr. Ambler told how Forsyth had first crossed Runnymede avenue, and, as the car approached, turned and stepped directly in front of it. He further related how he had lifted Forsyth in the car and rushed him to the Abington hospital, had then gone to the police station and advised Chief Lever of the accident, and how, finally, he had gone to the Forsyth home and advised Mrs. Forsyth of the details of the accident.

Surveying parties from the U. S. S. "Paducah" in the West Indies have encountered just one grand round of contentions with cockroaches, stinging scorpions and sandflies. So bad at times was it that the surveying parties were driven into the nearby waters to protect themselves from annihilation.

It has been estimated that something like twenty million Egyptian mummies have been discovered. Thousands of those best preserved are now in the show cases of the various museums of the world.

THINK OF IT

30,000 Persons Publicly Recommend Our Remedy: Some are Bristol People.

Over one hundred thousand have recommended Doan's Kidney Pills,
For backache, kidney, urinary ills,
Thirty thousand signed testimonials
Are appearing now in public print.
Some of them are Bristol people.
Some are published in Bristol.
No other remedy shows such proof.
Follow this Bristol man's example.

Albert Fisher, carpet weaver, 321 Buckley street, Bristol, says: "My back was in such bad shape that I was often laid up for a day or two. Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended so highly that I got a box and in a few days they strengthened my back. They also removed that dull pain across my kidneys. Since then I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills whenever my kidneys have been the least disordered and I have always had fine results."

Price 50c., at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Fisher had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

KEEP UP WITH BILLY SUNDAY

Greatest Revival Ever Held Will Open in Philadelphia on January 3.

Important as have been the previous campaigns of William A. Sunday throughout Pennsylvania and other states, all will be eclipsed by the ten weeks' revival which begins in Philadelphia next Sunday, January 3.

Never before has the task been attempted of carrying on a religious enterprise of this kind in so large a city—a community with a population of 1,600,000, the center of a district containing many millions more. This project will set a new mark in the records of organized religion.

Americans everywhere who are interested in any degree in church activities or civic righteousness will be desirous of following closely this great undertaking.

The Philadelphia North American has made arrangements to report the event completely, and is receiving thousands of orders from all over the country for subscriptions covering the duration of the campaign. These additions are so numerous that the paper's facilities will be taxed to handle the increased mailing list, but arrangements have been made to give the preference to orders from Pennsylvania and nearby territory.

Orders may be given to newsdealers or sent to The North American direct.

Death of Mrs. Starkey.

Mrs. Sarah Hadley Starkey, aged 84 years, widow of John S. Starkey, died on Wednesday evening of last week from a stroke of paralysis, at her daughter's home in Glenside. The funeral service was held on Saturday at 2 o'clock from her daughter's home, Mrs James Pearson, at Glenside. She was unusually active and bright for her advanced age and up to the time of her death evinced a great interest in the welfare and happiness of those about her. She is survived by four children, Mrs. James Pearson, Fletcher, William and Frank and by three sisters, Mrs. Caroline White, Mrs. Elma Briggs, of Langhorne, and Mrs. Louisa Starkey, of Bustleton. Interment was made at Emilie cemetery.

EMILIE

Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and Mr. and Mrs. William Hilborn and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Davis on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Willett, of Trenton, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cox on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vanhorn celebrated their golden anniversary on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Randall and Mr. and Mrs. Elias Praul were in Philadelphia over Christmas.

Mrs. Ida Wright is spending a few days with her son, George Wright, of Tullytown.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hibbs entertained on Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wink, Willis Wink, Mr. and Mrs. George Hibbs and children and Mr. and Mrs. William Lovett.

Miss Mattie Booz, of Philadelphia, spent part of the week with her sister, Edna Booz.

Misses Mary and Violet Lovett, of Tullytown; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Satterthwaite and son, of Fallsington; Harry and William Lovett, Sr., Lawrence and William Leigh and William Bruden were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Lovett, Christmas.

Miss Lidie Wilson spent Christmas with Miss Edna Booz.

Mrs. Margaret L. Cook, of Doylestown, is spending the holidays with Mrs. Harry Magill.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sandham spent part of the week with Mr. and Mrs. James Mathers.

An oyster supper will be held in the basement of the Emilie M. E. church on Saturday evening, January 2nd. Adults tickets 30 cents; children's, 15 cents. The Horse Company supper will be held on the same afternoon at four o'clock.

Sunday school, Sunday morning at 9.45; preaching at 10.45.

WHO WAS THE LAST LENAPE?

Old Diary, Brought to Light, Tells of Early Indians Here.

A member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania recently unearthed an old diary kept by his great-grandfather in which are recorded many interesting facts in connection with the Lenape Indians which inhabited this region before the advent of the white man. One entry mentions the death of the last Indian in this part of the country which opens a dispute with records of historians who mention other members of the tribe as the last of their race and give other localities as their habitations. The Indian referred to in the diary was still alive at an advanced age in 1788 and lived on the birthplace of Daniel Boone, the pioneer, near the Schuylkill river, about forty miles above Philadelphia. He worked as a laborer on the plantation of one of the Boones. He was so well liked by the Boones that he was persuaded to remain with the family after the few remaining members of his tribe moved out of the other hunting grounds. He built himself a cabin on a ridge a short distance from the Boone house, and it was there that he was found dead one morning. His Indian name is not given, but he was known to the white people as Uncle Joe. For years after his death the inhabitants of the vicinity believed that the old Indian's ghost frequented the locality, and every year on the anniversary of his death someone would report that they had heard him give the war cry of his tribe. To this day inhabitants of the locality believe that the ghosts of Indians infest the surrounding countryside.

The Most Curious Ferryboat in the World.

Perhaps the most curious ferryboat to be found in the world is at Simla, India, says a writer in the January Strand. The river that flows to the northeast of Suni, the chief town of the Simla Hill States, has few bridges, so, necessity being the mother of invention, a novel method has been adopted. The skin of a buffalo is inflated with air and is placed, with the four feet upward, to float in the water. The owner then throws himself over it, and the one or two passengers sit or lean on the top of him. By means of a small paddle in his right hand and the movement to and fro of his legs in the water the owner takes his passengers across. The journey takes from three to five minutes and the modest sum of a pice (one farthing) is charged. It is only by repeated crossings in a day that a man can earn much, but so many natives use this means of going to and from their villages that the trade is not unremunerative. Few things are more comical than these mussacks, whether moving in midstream or being carried back to the village at night on the owner's back. They are, of course, very light, and are about two and one-half yards long. They seem to be safe, except in monsoon weather, when heavy rain has caused a rapid current, but at such a time two mussacks are often linked together, so that, being heavier, they can avoid the rocks.

The tremendous [illegible] financing [illegible] providing the wa[illegible]nd means [illegible] the huge Russian [illegible] of millions of fighting men has [illegible] on the [illegible]ble shoulders of Min[illegible] of Finance Cocortzeff.

REVIEW OF IMPORTANT EVENTS AT COUNTY SEAT

Interesting Correspondence From Our Doylestown Representative.

Doylestown, December 30.

Christmas was an exceedingly quiet day at the county seat. But few people were on the street owing to the extreme cold weather and everyone seemed satisfied to spend the day with their families except those unfortunate enough to be without families or away from home. Our hotels served special Christmas dinners, but the old fashioned Christmas dinner at home seems to still be fashionable here. All of our merchants spent a merry Christmas because trade had been better this year than ever before and consequently their bank accounts made a good showing. Altogether we can safely say that the county seat had a Merry Christmas.

Several years ago George H. McIntyre, one of the able assistants of Recorder of Deeds, Arthur C. Shaw, and Mrs. McIntyre, started out with an elaborate Christmas tree for the boy and from year to year they have been making the tree more and more elaborate until this year they certainly have the prize tree. The tree, with the additional attractions and decorations of the room, has brought a continual stream of visitors to Mr. McIntyre's cozy home on East Oakland avenue, and all who have visited it have been filled with admiration for its artistic beauty as well as for the time, labor and pains that have been spent upon it.

On Christmas eve the Community Christmas tree of the county seat was lighted for the first time The tree selected is a live pine tree standing on the east side of the court house park, a short distance from Main street and ends itself most admirably to the community tree idea. From top to bottom, red, white and blue electric lights were strung in a most artistic manner, making a very beautiful spectacle. From the Presbyterian manse, the words of the carols, sung by the united choirs of all the Doylestown churches, were thrown on a screen erected in the court house park so that all of the large audience present could join in the singing. The united choirs were accompanied by several instrumentalists and were stationed on the porch of the William H. Ruos residence, at Broad and Mechanics streets, and their excellent rendition of the familiar Christmas carols was something well worth hearing and better worth remembering. Dr. William Edgar Geil was selected by the ladies, who had made the tree an assured fact by allowing no mere man to assist in the work beyond a liberal financial contribution, to deliver an address, and as the night was cold and standing unpleasant, he said a great deal in a very little time, making a fine address that fit in perfectly with the spirit of the occasion. One of the features of the evening was the singing in German of Christmas carols by the children from the Taborkinderheim, an orphanage just over the borough line, along the Willow Grove trolley. They were very well trained and sang delightfully. To Electrician Moyer, who devised and put in place the electric decorations of the tree, too much credit cannot be given; they were fine. This feature of Christmas will now probably become a permanent one, at least as long as the symetrical pine tree in the court house park continues to live and flourish.

On Christmas Day the Doylestown Rod and Gun Club gave its annual live bird shoot on its grounds on South Main street. Bitter cold weather, a strong wind and birds that were strong and fast flyers, prevented record breaking scores, but at that some very good marksmanship was shown, some of the kind that makes it unnecessary for America to keep a large and expensive standing army. Most of our local sportsmen were not prominent on the score, their politeness allowed the visitors to secure the honors of the shoot for they can do better shooting and not only can, but have done so on numerous occasions in the past, especially on game birds.

Cold weather and rapidly emptying coal bins have been our portion here for over a week and numerous accidents are reported of bad falls on the ice. We had a light fall of snow when the ground was still wet with pools of water standing in numerous places, just where they were the most likely to form traps for unwary pedestrians, and this has resulted in broken arms, ribs, etc.

Genial Charley Meredith, sheriff of Bucks county, and because of his official position, custodian of such violators of the law as are of necessity confined in the Bucks county gaol, reminded his wards that it was Christmas by a bountiful dinner, one of the old fashioned "Dutch Sour Kraut" dinners, the kind we all enjoy when it is properly prepared, and the Sheriff saw to it that it was the kind that you eat a whole lot of and then regret you cannot eat more. As a consequence the prisoners, with few exceptions, are unanimous in their good opinion of the Sheriff. They also received several gifts from others in the town.

Dr. James E. Groff, who has been taking a well-earned vacation, spending the greater part of the month in the western part of the state, has returned home feeling very much better than when he left and bringing with him a clean gain of fifteen pounds in weight. While the Doctor might possibly have stayed from Doylestown on Christmas Day he could not have enjoyed his Christmas dinner unless he had his namesake and grandson, James Groff, 2d, along with him.

County Treasurer Fine's deputy, Former Treasurer Wilmer Cornell, sat down to his Christmas turkey with four generations of his own family to help him eat it and the other good things prepared for the occasion. The family group was photographed and the photographs will be valuable relics for some future generations of the Cornell family. Mr. Cornell is one of the most popular of our ex-office holders and all his friends wish him many happy returns of the day and of the family gathering that he so much enjoyed.

Langhorne Real Estate Activity.

The Bucks County Realty Company has sold to Philip Louis Odosis, of South Langhorne, three building lots bought by Frederick Rumpf at the recent sale of Ex-Judge Mahlon H. Stout estate in the same borough and one offered at the same sale, owned by E. M. Davids, of Germantown; also a tract of about six acres of ground at Cadawisa, Middletown township, owned by Mrs. William N. Taylor and Miss Emma Hibbs to Miss E. M. Nelson, of Oakford, who intends building thereon soon.

John Fabian has completed the new barn for Zephaniah Force, on his farm at Wildmans Corner, Middletown township, to take the place of the one recently destroyed by fire.

Thomas Tomlinson has bought [illegible] Gillingham's property on Sou[illegible] vue avenue, Langhorne.

FALLSINGTON

Miss Lillian Watson, of Moorestown, N. J., is spending the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Carver had as guests during the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bailey, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Windle, and son, Howell, of Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. David Satterthwaite gave a family dinner on Sunday before Christmas. Those who enjoyed the occasion were: Mrs. Ann Satterthwaite, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Comfort, Mr. and Mrs. Watson Satterthwaite and son, Howard, Miss Mary A. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burton and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Satterthwaite and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Satterthwaite and son.

Margaret Henry, widow of Bernard Henry, who formerly resided near here, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Brelsford, in Trenton, on the 23rd. The funeral was held from St. James church, Trenton, on Saturday, the 27th. Rev. Francis H. Smith, of All Saints Episcopal church, Fallsington, officiated. Interment at Morrisville cemetery.

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Richards and daughter, Bertha, took Christmas dinner with Dr. and Mrs. W. N. Watson in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moon and daughter, Anna, were Sunday visitors at M. W. Moon's.

Miss Annie Moon entertained at dinner on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Watson Satterthwaite, Miss Lillian Watson, Miss Mary A. Watson, Howard Satterthwaite and Miss Lily Moon.

Miss Jennie B. Moon, of Philadelphia, spent several days at her home here last week.

Leon Burton was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Leon Danfield, a part of last week.

Frank Burton has bought a part of the milk route of Morris Breese, which takes the Fallsington and Morrisville division.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Heavener are receiving congratulations on their marriage, which occurred on December 29. Mrs. Heavener was formerly Miss Ella McGettricka, a niece of Mrs. Joseph Spitz, near Fallsington.

Mrs. Albert Comfort is making an extended visit to her sister at Plymouth, Mass. Mr. Comfort has recently gone to join his wife for a short time.

The L. T. L. intends to hold an entertainment in Library hall on Saturday evening, January 16th.

Mr. and Mrs William E. Watson spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gunther, of West Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Watson, of Westmont.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M Headley entertained Mrs. A. M. Leavitt and son, Dr. Frederic Leavitt at Christmas.

Mrs. Frederic Bradley, of West Philadelphia, was the guest of Mrs. Emily Lockwood recently.

The entertainment given by the different schools were excellent and showed much care in the preparation by the teachers and scholars.

Miss Alice Mechler, of Jenkintown, has been visiting her sister, Miss Grace Mechler.

Mrs Goslin, of Bristol, is spending the holiday season with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Burton.

Freedom of Political Methods.

Professor Henry G. Walters.

Tom Ober wrote me a letter last week from the Union League of Philadelphia complimenting me on that article I wrote for Webster Grim's daily of Dec. 1, 1914, headed "Unity in Politics"

Tom emphasized particularly the last paragraph of my article which read as follows:

"When politicians put planks in a platform telling me that I 'must'—on pain of party ostracism—blow my nose in the direction of New York rather than Chicago, I tell them to study the art of osculation more perfectly and in its relation to unsuspected parts of the human anatomy."

I sent a copy of this article to Governor Brumbaugh, because I know, that being an educator, Martin loves to file away choice specimens of English.

I left my Langhorne Graft Farm for a trip to the city the other day. But I never feel happy in town.

A reporter for the Ledger—I won't give his name—asked me if I wasn't "unhappy?"

Here's my answer:

I'M UNHAPPY IN TOWN.

Unhappy? You air right, me friend;
I want 'er see me grafts an' trees,
Me roses on me pines an' all a-singing
though they freeze.
An' them privets at me Langhorne door,
silver-frosted like a dream.
Whar' me honeysuckle's grafted, whar'
me lilac bushes lean.

I'm but a Langhorne farmer, but Iv'e
felt me hard heart rise,
An' felt me hot tears running when the
wind sang in th' skies;
When I'd wander to the pastur' whar'
the mooing of the cows,
Came with the church bells music 'cross
th' meadow whar' they browse.

But speaking of freedom of political methods, in the name of all the sulphuretted hydrogen of all the Gehennas of the universe, why should not our politics give us more freedom and less slavery?

It is the malignant meddler in politics who enslaves us.

Why not assume that most men and women know how to economically and morally and socially take care of themselves?

Of course, in its last analysis, it is only the filthy-minded, black, malignant meddler in your village or town (and who is always morally 'suspicious' of the moral motives of his acquaintances) who goes into the village shop, store, office, church or saloon and tries to socially ruin the moral freedom of his acquaintance by slander.

But the same black, malignant human purpose is always at work in Bucks county politics trying to curtail the moral freedom of our normal political methods.

To see our political life and our political needs sanely and to see them as an economic whole, seems to be an impossible thing for the political Bucks county bosses who write our political platforms.

Their own cruel and selfish—utterly selfish—diabolical dark malignity forbids it.

They cannot adjust a wise compromise between the politically practical and the complexity of the political ideal.

Human Bucks county needs and human life is an immeasurably bigger thing than they dream of

Hence they never try (in politics) to introduce policies that are more humane, truer, nobler and more magnificently in keeping with the larger complex needs of our more sublime American civilization.

Beauty Nearly Unadorned.

Jenkintown Times-Chronicle.

While we are covering our Christmas packages with Red Cross seals to help finance the campaign against tuberculosis. Letty Littlewear trips around town in silk stockings, no petticoat, chiffon waist, and throat and chest protected by a string of beads. Her muff is nearly large enough to encase her, and she uses it as a shopping bag, while negligently draping a fur scarf where it will do the least good. The pneumococcus lies in wait for her at every turn, but what cares she? Better be dead than out of fashion.

It is said that about one thousand [illegible]ur hundred earth tremors were re[illegible]ded in various parts of Japan last [illegible]r.

HULMEVILLE ITEMS INTERESTINGLY TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Vansant entertained their children and grandchildren on Christmas Day. Those present were: Mrs. Martie Vansant and sons, Arthur and Fred, of Fox Chase; Mr. and Mrs. William Vansant and children, of Bensalem; Mr. and Mrs. John Vansant and daughter, of Bensalem; Mr and Mrs. Howard Vansant and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vansant and children, of Bensalem; Mr. and Mrs James Vansant and sons, Mr. and Mrs Joseph Vansant and children, of Fox Chase; Mr. and Mrs. Percy Haines and son, of Trenton; Mr. Wilson Randall, of Bristol; Mr. and Mrs William Harvey, of Upper Makefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pedrick, of Edgely, spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Elizabeth Goheen.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Worthington, of Forest Grove, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Amy Worthington.

Misses Lou and Alice Smith, of Elizabeth, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Smith

Mrs John Gell, of Rutledge, was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs S. B. Hibbs, last Thursday.

Mr and Mrs. Alvin Schoenfeld and Mrs. Elizabeth Goheen spent Sunday visiting relatives at Holmesburg.

Mr and Mrs. Edwin Willett and son, of Trenton, spent Christmas Day with Mr and Mrs. Alexander Crosson.

Mr and Mrs William Smith and daughter, Margaret, spent Saturday and Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mr and Mrs. John P. Curran and grandchildren, Mrs. Addie Tregar, of Jenkintown, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs Ewald Reitz.

Miss Erda Schatt spent Saturday and Sunday at Newportville visiting Miss Elizabeth Matthews.

Mrs H. J. Hiick, who has been spending some time with her parents in Bangor, is home for a few days.

Mr and Mrs Vance Wiggins and daughter, Ruth, of Camden, spent Sunday and Monday with the former's parents, Mr and Mrs. William Wiggins.

Rev and Mrs. J R. Laird and daughter, Leona, spent Christmas Day in Philadelphia.

The annual meeting of the Hulmeville Horse Company will be held in the lodge room of Neshamony Lodge, on Friday, January 1st, 1915, at 4 p m. The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will serve the supper to the members in the public hall. After the members have had supper the public is invited to the supper at the small sum of twenty-five cents each. Whatever profit there is goes to the Ladies Aid Society.

The moving picture benefit given in Hibbs hall on last Wednesday evening, December 23rd, for the William Penn Fire Company, was quite successful, between $15 and $20 was realized.

The M E Sunday school held its Christmas entertainment in the church on Tuesday evening, December 29th. The cantata, "Santa Claus and Others," was well rendered. Candy and oranges were distributed to the Sunday school scholars. The offering, which was lifted at the entertainment, went for the poor of the borough.

Saturday evening, December 26th, the mercury registered three degrees above zero. Neshaminy creek was frozen in many parts from side to side. Skating could be indulged in by the young people for quite a distance up or down the creek.

The extreme cold weather of the past week stopped the work upon the house being built by James Force The cellar walls are finished.

The amount of mail sent from the postoffice this year during the holidays was greater than the same time last year This was a good showing considering the general depression in business circles.

The carol singers were out in full force on Christmas eve, although the weather and walking were unfavorable. Christmas services were held in the M. E. church and Grace church on Christmas morning.

Abram Shaw began filling his ice house at Hulmeville park on Monday morning The ice was seven to eight inches thick.

The J. E. Fricke Company has received a carload of cards. These are being put together as rapidly as possible, so that a portion of the mill that was burned and rebuilt, may furnish employment for a few persons. More will be given work as the setting up of the machinery proceeds.

Arthur L. Beall, of Tioga, spent the week-end with Joseph Cliver and family.

Mrs. J. B. Miller and Mrs. E. G. White, of Cecil County, Maryland, spent several days of last week with Mrs Mary Gillingham.

Miss Elizabeth Phillips, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips.

The Cruiser.

The cruiser is a predatory craft with a thin skin and a huge set of engines It is built for the purpose of getting to places in a tremendous hurry and of removing from said places with even greater speed.

The cruiser is built of steel and carries plenty of guns. However, they are not large guns. They are only large enough to tear an ocean liner in two at one shot—not large enough to be of any use in a real war. A battleship would bark once at a cruiser and then spend three days hunting for the remains, if it could get within reach. But the business of the cruiser is to remain exceedingly aloof from the hostile battleship.

For this purpose the modern cruiser is composed largely of engines. It can travel faster than a train on a railroad operated on a "safety first, speed nowhere" schedule. Thirty miles an hour is not fast for an agile cruiser when it is headed for safety under full steam. Germany and England have cruisers which are as large as battleships, and which travel 35 miles an hour. The Goeben is one of them. The entire English and French fleets hunted her up and down the Mediterranean, but she dodged the whole collection and is now placidly blowing up Russian gunboats under a Turkish flag.

The United States also has many cruisers, but they do not travel 30 miles an hour. An American cruiser is built for comfort, not for speed. It has always been the policy of the eminent fossils in charge of the American navy to build war vessels about five knots slower than the prevailing style abroad. This adds to their safety in making it impossible for them to catch up with a hostile vessel and provoke a fight.

The cruiser's business is to destroy the enemy's merchant marine and to do the general all-around scrapping while the battleships remain tenderly guarded at home. Over 100 cruisers of all nations have been sunk since the present war began, while the battleships are still doing duty as health resorts.—George Fitch.

A correspondent of the Morning Post, who has recently returned from Rheims to London, cables that the insurance companies estimated the damage to Rheims at $200,000,000. At the mayor's office it is stated that this estimate will be exceeded when the dam[illegible] to private property [illegible]

LANGHORNE

Miss Eleanor Stabler, of Swarthmore College, is the guest of Mrs. Harry W Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis B. Westbrook, of East Orange, are week end visitors.

Miss Helen Palmer and Morris Ivins were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs Harry Black, of Chester.

Harry Taylor, of State College, is home during vacation. During his period at George School he was a member of the glee club and the State College Glee Club has also claimed him for a member.

John Scott, aged 74 years, died at ten o'clock on Monday night after only a few days illness, presumably a stroke, having been found in an unconscious state, lying on the floor. He has always lived in or near Langhorne, having moved from the Scott farm, now owned by the Ellis school, Middletown township, to Langhorne, where he was always most favorably known and respected for his industry and uprightness. He is survived by his wife, Ellen Phares Scott. The funeral services will be held at his late residence on Friday, January 1. Interment at Beechwood cemetery.

Mrs. Samuel Fite and Miss Sara A Fite spent several days with relatives near Trenton Junction, recently

The Bible Study Class on the Life of Christ will be resumed Monday evening.

The fire company responded to an appeal on Thursday morning at 5 o'clock, the dwelling of John Ivins, of Holland, being in danger from a fire occurring in the kitchen, near the chimney.

Rev. and Mrs. James Bingham spent Christmas with relatives at Tioga

Wilmer S. Black has been on the sick list.

Prof. B. Frank Conner, of Bristol, will conduct a special musical service at the Methodist church this Sunday evening and in the morning the regular sacramental service at 10.15.

Miss Mary Connor is spending the week with friends in Doylestown.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R Hibbs entertained a large number on Christmas.

The Watch Night service at the Methodist church will begin at 10.30.

At the Christmas fair held by Sorosis Mrs. Harriet W. Tomp, chairman, about $31 was realized

A number of replies have been received in response to the 500 letters sent out by the Langhorne Fire Company to those living in outside districts, for contributions towards an automobile fire apparatus for their protection demands being made in all directions for several miles for the Langhorne company when their homes or buildings are in peril from fire.

Miss Corinne Van Norman, of Pittsburgh, and Miss Mabel Van Norman, of Joplin, Missouri, were home for the holidays.

This Sunday morning New Year's communion will be observed at the Presbyterian church. In the evening the Christmas music will be rendered by an augmented choir. A Christmas cantata, by Adams, "The Angelic Choir," will be given.

The Ladies' Auxiliary will hold their business meeting at the home of Miss Ethel Praul on Friday afternoon, January 8.

Miss Agnes Fetterolf and Miss Estella Fetterolf, who are in Philadelphia for the winter, spent the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs Senseman, of Camden, were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C Clifford Riggs.

Oscar Walker, of Lancaster, has been visiting his mother, Dr. Hannah Lovell.

Miss Julia Connor, who is attending college at Northfield, was home for the holidays.

The Standard Bearers held a meeting at the M. E. church parlor on Thursday.

Judge John N. Patterson will close his home the first of the year and spend the winter in Philadelphia.

William H. Ivins has recovered from an attack of plural pneumonia and is able to be out again after a several months' illness.

Miss Elizabeth Vandegrift, of Newportville, and Mrs. Eleanor Johnson, of Eddington, were recent visitors of Mrs. Sara S. Appleton

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Howerton, of Washington, D. C., spent the holidays with Mrs. Mary E. Linton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sonneborn, of Olney, have been visiting relatives.

Miss Sara A. Fite, instructor at the Bala school, is home for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vansant, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs Frank Nelson were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson

Charles H. Zebley, of Philadelphia, and Winfield Scott, of Bristol, were Sunday visitors.

Joseph Esherick will close his home "Wyndhurst," in the Manor and spend the winter months in Philadelphia.

Evil Spirits that Lurk in Trees.

It often happens says a writer in the January Wide World Magazine, that a gang of Malay or Javanese coolies, while engaged in clearing virgin jungle on a rubber plantation, will leave untouched a tree or group of trees, rather than risk the anger of the penunggu or spirit by which they believe them to be inhabited. In this case resort is made to the Tamils, natives of India, usually engaged as "tappers" of the rubber trees, who, though also superstitious, are more easily tempted by a monetary reward.

The following case is absolutely authenticated by an Englishman who is employed as assistant manager of an estate in Malacca. While a certain portion of the estate was being cleared it was noticed that a group of several trees was left standing in one spot. The assistant ordered the Malays to cut them down, but they refused, saying that these trees were the abode of an evil spirit.

A day or two later some Tamils were induced to pile dry branches around one of the trees, pour kerosene over the pile, and set fire to the tree. While this was being done a log fell on one of the Tamils, cutting his shoulder to the bone. When the fire was lighted a snake bit the Tamil, who thrust the match in, and, in spite of the kerosene, the tree refused to burn.

Next morning the assistant ordered the Tamils to chop the tree down, which they did, but when the tree gave way it fell on one of the men and nearly killed him.

The third morning the Tamils were absent from work, and on inquiry the assistant was informed that they were ill. Supposing them to be merely malingering, the European asked the estate doctor to go round to the coolie lines with him and examine the men. Here the doctor found the whole seven of them really ill, quite unable to rise from their beds, and ordered their removal to the estate hospital. After this no Tamil, Malay, Javanese or Chinese coolie could be induced to touch these trees.

The manager does not say much about the coincidence, but so far he has let the trees stand; and if he should ever want them cut he will probably have to do the work himself, for everybody in Malacca has heard the story.

"Do what you are paid to do—and then some; it's the then-some that gets your salary raised."

ALL THE HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST IN NEWTOWN

Mr. Wittington, of Washington, D. C., spent Christmas with his daughter, Mrs Albert Hogeland and family.

Mrs. Sarah Worstall, Miss Virginia Worstall, of West Chester, and Miss Jennie Jones and the Misses Jones, of Philadelphia, are guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Blackfan.

Mrs Willis G. Worstall is spending this week with her relatives at Horsham, Montgomery county.

The Young Peoples' Branch of the W. C. T. U., will have a ghost masquerade social on Thursday evening and see the new year affair at the home of Miss Miriam Hillborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Cobb gave a delightful New Year's card party. Mrs. Cobb also entertained on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. Jack, of Indiana, Pa.

Edward A Briggs has gone to Monroe county, where he will spend the next three months in the Pocono mountains trying to recuperate impaired health.

Miss Marion Watson is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Watson.

Mrs. Ashbel Watson, Carl Watson and Miss Esther Watson spent several days at Christmas time with Harold Watson and family, at Lancaster, Pa.

The dental office of Dr. W. A. Roberts is closed this week while the Dr. and Mrs. Roberts are visiting in Quakertown.

The big event of this week is the reception on the evening of January 1st, by the New Century Club at the home of Miss Margaret mather.

Mr and Mrs. William Eyre will entertain a large family dinner party on New Year's day.

The usual Tuesday evening dancing class met on Thursday evening of this week and celebrated the arrival of the new year. Mr. Barnes, the teacher, conducted a class at the Bucks County Country Club on Tuesday evening, which was attended by a number of Newtown people.

The home of Captain Chambers is the scene of a happy family reunion during the holiday season.

Miss Lavinia Blackfan and Miss Rachel Ely have been visiting in Doylestown and Perkasie.

OXFORD VALLEY

Mrs. C. Y. Stradling will lead the C. E. Sunday evening.

Marie Stradling entertained several of her little friends at a Christmas party on Monday afternoon.

The Edge Hill school gave a delightful Christmas entertainment the afternoon of December 24th.

Florida Watson, Serah South, Marie Stradling, Francis McNabb and Spencer Irwin received prizes at the Oxford Valley school for regular attendance until Christmas vacation. School will be closed for the holidays until January 4th.

The Christmas entertainment given by the Sunday school in the chapel on Christmas eve, was unusually good. The music, recitations, drills and dialogues were well rendered and all enjoyed an address by Rev. J. Bingham, of Langhorne. Each member of the Sunday school received a box of candy and an orange as their Christmas treat.

Christmas guests in town were as follows: Mrs. Mabel Shaffer, of Palmyra, and Albert Fox, of Philadelphia, at A. P. Stradling's; Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Rue, of Edgely, at Charles Rue's; Miss Anna Smyth, at Thomas Nowell's; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Matthews, of Paoli; Mr. and Mrs. Granville Stradling, of Penns Manor, at C. Y. Stradlings; Mrs. Lowry, Norman, Stanley and Elsie Lowry, of Philadelphia, at Herbert Bowen's; Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox, of Audubon, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shaffer, of Woodbourne, at Charles Brondinis's; H. W. Spencer and family, of Langhorne, at C. W. Spencer's.

ANDALUSIA

The Chapel of the Redeemer held its Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening.

Thirty-one dollars that were to be spent on the Sunday school scholars of the chapel, were turned over to the Belgians for the benefit of their children.

Mrs Creighton entertained the infant department of the Sunday school. She was assisted by Mrs. Williams. Miss Bertha Parr and Miss Clara Freas.

Mrs. Cullen, of Tacony, was a Sunday visitor at Mrs Bushnell's

Mr. Otto was buried in All Saints yard this week.

J. H. Bowen, who left three months ago for Dimara, South America, left on the steamer Saint Ninian for Mobile, and was stranded at Dimara for some time, left there on steamer Lampassa, Mallory Line, for New York, arriving in New York a few days ago, and is at present with his daughter, Mrs. William Jackson. Mr Bowen is a great traveler and has been nearly around the world several times.

A play was given Thursday by the school children in the school house. Many mothers were present. School will begin again on Monday.

PENNS MANOR

Miss Mattie Johnson, of Yardville, N. J., is the guest of her friend, Miss Mary Satterthwaite.

Miss Mary C Stilwell, of Hopewell, N. J., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Seidensticker.

Mrs. Ella S. Ketcham, of Philadelphia, was a week-end guest of her mother, Mrs. James Stinson.

Mrs. George C. Leedom was a guest of Wallace Hoffner and family at Florence, N. J., last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary E. Ivins, student at the West Chester Normal School, is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Ivins.

Miss Wilanna Bruner, of Woodstown, N. J., was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Anderson.

Miss Youngren, one of our teachers, is spending the holidays at the home of her parents at Newtown.

Mrs. William H. Booth was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Firth, of Fieldsboro, N. J., from Friday until Sunday.

The Manor and Creek schools are closed during the holiday season.

The quarterly meeting of the official board was held in the chapel on Tuesday evening.

The Sunday school held their Christmas exercises in the chapel on Monday evening. A pleasing program was rendered, followed by the distribution of candy and oranges and gifts. The church was prettily decorated with holly and evergreens.

The King of Saxony has [illegible] upon the Emperor the Ritter Cross [illegible] the Grand Cross of the Military [illegible] of St. Heinrich. Emperor W[illegible] in return, has bestowed on [illegible] the Order of the Iron Cross, [illegible] second class.

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CLEANING UP THE MUNICIPAL YEAR.

This is the "hard-up" time for boroughs and nearly all other municipalities. The taxes have been collected and spent, the same is true of license money and other sources of revenue. This condition exists in nearly every municipality in the State. It is the time of the year when money is needed to pay off indebtedness, yearly salaries and bills which are allowed to accumulate. It is to be regretted that this is so, but under the present system of legislation and management it is hard to avoid it. Every municipality has its fat season and its lean season, the former when the taxes are paid in mid-summer and the latter during the last two months of the year.

The League of Third-Class Cities is going to propose legislation to effect a change as far as cities are concerned. They propose to have the tax duplicate returned so that all taxes may be paid by the first of April, when the cities are about to appropriate money and plan their expenditures during the months of the year when street work can be effectively done. A plan that is meeting with favor among many boroughs is to have all licenses paid in advance on or about January 1st. This includes pole taxes, street car taxes, and the various forms of taxes on vehicles, shows, etc. In order to avoid the accumulation of bills at the end of the year it is also proposed that all salaries be placed upon a monthly basis and that all bills against the municipality be presented monthly.

The cities of the State, many of which are not as large as some of our boroughs, have many more sources of revenue owing to the advanced legislation that these cities have been able to secure. These cities have power under the Clark Bill" of 1913:

"To provide for the assessment and collection of taxes, in addition to the above, not exceeding one per centum on the dollar upon the assessed valuation in any one year, on all persons, real and personal property, and all other matters and things within said city taxable for county purposes for the payment of interest on bonded indebtedness, and for the payment of loans to support the government, and to make necessary improvements in said city.

"To impose a poll-tax for general purposes, not exceeding one dollar annually, on all male inhabitants above the age of 21 years.

"To levy and collect a license tax, not exceeding one hundred dollars each, annually, on all auctioneers, contractors, druggists, hawkers, peddlers, produce or merchandise venders, bankers, brokers, undertakers, pawnbrokers, merchants of all kinds, persons selling or leasing goods on installment, grocers, confectioners, butchers, restaurants, billiard parlors, bowling alleys, billiard tables, pool and other gaming tables, drays, hacks, carriages, omnibuses, automobiles, carts, wagons, street railway cars, and other vehicles used in the city for hire or pay; lumber dealers, including commission men and all persons who make a business of buying lumber for sale, as wholesale or retail; furniture dealers, saddle or harness dealers, stationers, jewelers, livery or automobile or boarding stable keepers, real estate agents, agents of fire, life or other insurance companies; market-house companies, garage companies, express companies, or agencies; telegraph, telephone, steam heating, gas, natural gas, water, electric light, or power companies, or agencies; or individuals furnishing communication, light, heat or power by any of the means enumerated; and to regulate the collection of the same."

If all these sources of revenue were made available to boroughs, or if a considerable number were made available, it is altogether likely that they would not experience their present difficulty of making ends meet at the end of the fiscal year. Some of these methods of taxation may work a hardship, but the matter is one that is capable of adjustment. It will not only relieve the strain at the end of the year but may also relieve the burden of taxation on real estate. That the plan has worked out well in third-class cities is shown by the fact that these cities are going to ask the legislature to enlarge the scope of occupation taxes. Bankers, druggists and undertakers were included, but through the curious oversight dentists, doctors and lawyers were omitted. Members of the Senate and House will, of course, see to it that they themselves are included in the next revised list.

"Penn," who writes the interesting column of "Men and Things," in the Philadelphia Bulletin, on Tuesday had the following concerning E. W. Patton, who maintains a summer home in Bensalem township:

The resignation of Edward W. Patton from Select Council completes an unusual term of service in the municipal legislature. It was in 1877 when he first entered that chamber, and he has held his seat continuously for thirty-seven years! Patton was originally known as one of the young and green members, although probably no man was ever quicker to learn the ins and outs; he was then among the nattiest, trimmest and most dextrous of what might be called the junior members; everybody knew him as "Ned" or "Eddie," and in fact he was still far from being a veteran when it became the habit to call him "the wise man." Today the snows of many years have whitened his poll, but he seems to be a first-rate specimen of the young old men of the town, and now that he is out of Select Council he will be missed there for his readiness as a tactician on the floor and especially for his mastery and knowledge of the details both constructive and financial, of municipal affairs during more than a generation. He was often criticised by the newspapers and the reformers; he sometimes got perilously near to hot water in political deals and scandals, and every now and then a formidable attempt would be made to dislodge him. But like the cat that is tossed up in the air, he always managed somehow to land neatly on all fours, and to this day he has survived the vicissitudes of city politics since [illegible] his extraordinary record [illegible] the Twenty-seventh

[illegible] of trolley lines [illegible] operation on the

HON. MOSES E. CLAPP

United States Senator from Minnesota, who will address the men's meeting at the First Baptist Church, next Sunday afternoon at 3.45 o'clock

William J. Bryan, Secretary of State, has few equals when it comes to taking a handful of words and stringing them together in attractive form. "The Boy Orator of the Platte" has lost none of the charm of speech. Expanding girth and naked pate, and old age creeping on has not served to lessen the attraction of his rethmic sentences.

When the Secretary of State was asked concerning his ideas about foreign relations, he tossed off this beautiful piece of embroidery:

"I can conceive of a national destiny surpassing the glories of the present and the past—a destiny which meets the responsibilities of today and measures up to the responsibilities of the future. Behold a republic, resting securely upon the foundation stone quarried by revolutionary patriots from the mountain of eternal truth—a republic applying in practice and proclaiming to the world the self-evident propositions that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their creator with inalienable rights; that governments are instituted among men to secure these rights, and that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed.

"Behold a republic in which civil and religious liberty stimulate all to earnest endeavor and in which the law restrains every hand uplifted for a neighbor's injury—a republic in which every citizen is a sovereign, but in which no one cares or dares to wear a crown.

"Behold a republic standing erect while empires all around are bowed beneath the weight of their own armaments—a republic whose flag is loved while other flags are only feared. Behold a republic increasing in population, in wealth, in strength and in influence, solving the problems of civilization and hastening the coming of an universal brotherhood—a republic which shakes thrones and dissolves aristocracies by its silent example and gives light and inspiration to those who sit in darkness.

"Behold a republic gradually but surely becoming the supreme moral factor in the world's progress and the accepted arbiter of the world's disputes—a republic whose history, like the path of the just, is as the shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.'"

The Hon. Charles A. Ambler, of Montgomery county, we are pleased to note is the leading candidate for Speaker of the House at the session of the Legislature which convenes this month at Harrisburg. Mr. Ambler has been a member of the House for a number of years and is well qualified in every particular for the responsible position. He is a Republican of independent tendency. He will "go along" with the organization when it suits his purpose to do so, but has many times thrown down the gauntlet in defiance to the leaders. He is pledged to local option and to the support of Governor Brumbaugh's program.

Today is the day for new resolutions. Suppose all of us here in Bristol resolve to be kind to one another, boost the town, buy at home, pull together, look up, not down, push, but don't shove. If we all want to we can make Bristol one of the finest places in which to reside that there is in the country. Nature has richly endowed this section, but we can improve it and enhance its beauty and increase its value. We wish everybody a Happy New Year and may that spirit be maintained throughout the year.

The Conshohocken Recorder says the Belgians are preparing to pay seventeen and one-half millions of dollars to Germany as a war indemnity. The tax was levied because the Belgians defended their homes and country against invasion. Germany is levying tribute to carry on the war and the United States is fitting out relief expeditions to save the Belgians from starvation. Civilized humanity works in strange ways.

NEW MYSTIC CHAIN OFFICERS

Supreme Castle Will Convene at Atlantic City Next May.

At the annual meeting of Bristol Castle, No. 103, Ancient Order Knights of the Mystic Chain, the following officers were elected:

William H. Schaeffer, P. C.
William M. Barton, C.
John P. Stout, V. C.
H. B. Stackhouse, Marshal.
George J. Sheppard, Chaplain.
J. C. Adams, R. S.
H S. Rue, Treasurer.
James Guy, I. G.
James Lefferts, O. G.
George J. Sheppard, Trustee.
John C. Adams, Representative.
W. H. Schaeffer, Alternate.

The Supreme Castle will meet at Atlantic City, May 19, 1915, and the Select Castle at Hanover, Pa., September 10, 1915.

Prince Maurice of Battenberg, a cousin of King George and a son of Princess Henry of Battenberg has been killed in France. He was an officer of the King's Royal Rifle Corps and the first member of the British Royal family to be killed in the present war.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been granted to Vincenzo Angelini and Angeline Capucci, of Bristol, and to Leonard Indelicato and Antonia Moceri, of Bristol.

Broncho Miller—A Lesson.

Doylestown Democrat.

The case of "Broncho" William Miller, convicted on Tuesday of second degree murder in the killing of Constable Henry A. Kolbe, of Doylestown, is one that presents but a limited latitude for moralizing. He is not a reckless, bad man, as his soubriquet of "Broncho" might seem to indicate. He is a mere boy, only past 16 years, and his youth probably saved him from conviction of a higher degree of crime. He is a mental weakling. No effort was made by competent medical authority to ascertain whether he is or is not mentally responsible for his actions, and so we are in ignorance upon that point. But it is certain that he is a defective.

Miller is the victim of circumstances for which he himself is only in a small degree responsible. He is a victim of no home training and improper education. He just drifted. He imbibed wrong impressions of life very early, and he never had anybody to correct them. Indeed, he was rather encouraged in them by the attitude of his friends and the community generally towards him. Nobody ever made any effort to discourage his eccentricities at a period when they could have been corrected. People laughed at him and with him, but there was never one of his kindred who could or did take enough interest in him to advise him wisely, and others were thoughtless as to whither he was drifting. He is an example of what the entire absence of wholesome home restraint and influence will make of a boy. There are too many other boys, right here in our own town, just drifting as Miller drifted. That is one lesson Miller's case conveys to the community.

Another is that a community owes to its defectives proper special schooling. Those who heard Professor Lightner Witmer's lecture on defectives in the Doylestown high school building about a year ago know what is meant by this. A good many people who have never taken the trouble to investigate the subject think that the work such as Professor Witmer is doing is visionary, impractical, etc. But it is no fad. It is just the opposite, and very practical. Supposing we should reach that stage in our public school system where we could not afford to give special attention to both the bright and the defective pupil, and one or the other must be in a measure sacrificed, the one sacrificed should not be the defective. The bright pupil can take care of himself, but the defective cannot. The community in self-protection must provide for the education of the defective. More and more the community is coming to realize that this is necessary as a preventive of crime and even of race deterioration. Just how such education is to be brought about generally is not yet quite clear. We are doing something to help by the recent system of medical inspection in schools. But this is not enough. Institutional training is necessary and we have almost reached the point where the taxpayers must maintain special schools to which the medical inspectors can send at public expense the defectives which they and the teachers discover in the public schools. This is the only fair course to both the bright and the defective pupil, and when such schools are established the public school system will have taken one of the greatest advanced steps in its history and at the same time will have removed a serious menace to society. There will be many less Millers when that time comes, with hope always present of their final extinction.

Communion Set Stolen.

On Wednesday it was discovered by Rev. Seaver M. Holden that a silver communion set had been stolen from St. Pauls church. On that day he planned to visit a number of the sick and shut-in members of St. Pauls parish. He visited the church edifice to procure a small communion set, which was of sterling silver, and which he had since his ordination as a minister. When the rector opened the closet in which the communion set had been kept he was startled to find that it was not there. The box which had contained it was open and apparently nothing else was disturbed. On October 23 it was learned that thieves had entered the church and at that time a number of small articles were missed. The communion set was not looked for and was never thought of, as it was always placed in a closet in the rector's vestry. It was last used during the 1914 Easter season, when the rector visited a number of his sick parishoners.

IN MEMORIAM

HOLT—In loving memory of Robert W. Holt, who departed this life December 29th, 1910.
Not now, but in the coming years,
It may be in the better land,
We'll read the meaning of our tears,
And there, sometime, we'll understand.
FAMILY.

Francis J. Byers, real estate agent, has sold for the estate of James W. Fenton, the double frame dwelling at 205 and 207 Wood street, to Nicholas

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One of the boys of the family brought a bottle of cough medicine and a bottle of aconite from the store at the same time. Being nearsighted, Mrs. Bennett mistook the labels on the bottles and took a dose of the aconite, and also gave one to her brother. Both were dangerously poisoned, but prompt treatment by Dr. John J. Sweeney, of Doylestown, it is believed, will prevent fatal results.

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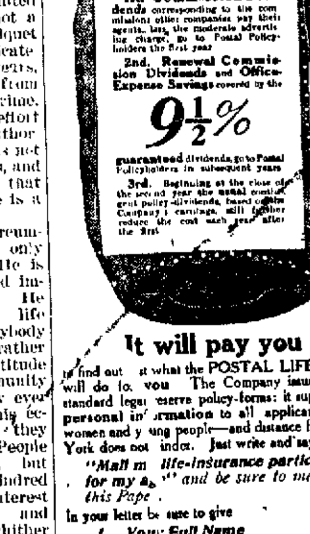

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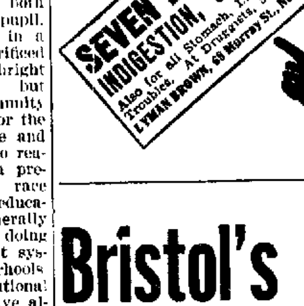

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The Depositors and Patrons of the Bank are cordially invited to call at the Banking House on that day and inspect the books, documents, etc., dating back to the foundation of the Bank just One Hundred years ago.

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2 lbs 5c Barley	2 for 7c	10c cans Van Camp's Soups	7c		
2—5c bars Lautz Naptha Soap	2 for 7c	10c Plain or Stuffed Olives	7c	Fat White Mackerel	7c
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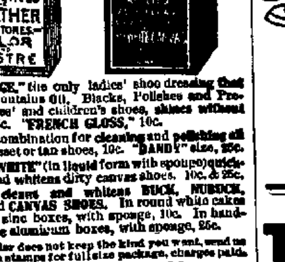

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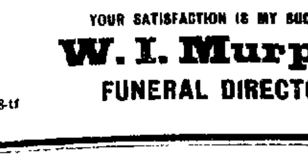

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If I were hanged on the highest hill,
I know whose love would [illegible]
Mother o' mine [illegible]

If I were drowned in the deepest sea,
I know whose love would [illegible]
me,
Mother o' mine [illegible]

If I were damned of body [illegible]
I know whose prayers [illegible]
whole,
Mother o' mine, mother [illegible]
—Rudyard Kipling.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

A son has been born to Mr. and M[rs.] Harry C. Streeper.

Neil J. McIlvain, of Dorr[ance] [illegible] is visiting friends in Freet[own] [illegible]

Morris Rothblum, of Wood [street] [illegible] visiting relatives in Bever[ly] [illegible]

Dr. George T. Fox spent [illegible] with his parents in Camden, Mass.

William Lane, of Mott [illegible] was visiting old friends her[e] [illegible]

Miss Bessie Stackett [illegible] has been visiting Mrs. John [illegible] ert.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clarence [illegible] spent Christmas with [rel]atives [illegible] kasie.

Miss Annie Irwin, of M[illegible] been visiting her sister [illegible] Douglass.

A son has been born to M[r. and Mrs.] Walter Tomlinson, who [illegible] Upland, Pa.

Fourteen candidates were [illegible] to the mysteries of the P[illegible] last evening.

Mrs. Hezekiah King, of [illegible] N. Y., has been the guest of M[iss] [illegible] B. Landreth.

The choir of the Baptist [church] [illegible] have a rehearsal tomorrow eve[ning] [illegible] 8 o'clock sharp.

Miss Gladys Renk and Miss [illegible] Pope are visiting relatives of [illegible] mer in New York.

Miss Ruth Johnston returned Tuesday from a visit with Miss [illegible] Eyre, at Frankford.

Helen, daughter of Mr. and [Mrs.] Filbert Aller, is confined to the [house] suffering with diphtheria.

Margaret Gleason, six years [old,] daughter of Henry Gleason, 625 [illegible] street, is ill with diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ball [illegible] tained Mr. and Mrs. Harry [illegible] of Lansdowne on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Worth[illegible] Dorrance street, spent Christmas [with] relatives in West Philadelphia.

Ex-Burgess and Mrs. H[illegible] Arcker have been guests of Mis[s] [illegible] rictt Walmsley at Elkton, Maryla[nd].

Mrs. Emma Spencely, of Chica[go,] is spending some time with her [illegible] Mrs. Tillie Johnson, of Dorrance [street].

Miss Isabel Swift, who has be[en] [vis]iting her sister, Mrs. David [illegible] has returned to her home in St[illegible]

John Carr, who is a student [illegible] timore, is spending the holiday[s with] his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J[illegible] Carr.

Dallas Irwin, of Cedar stre[et,] [em]ployed by the Pennsylvania R[ailroad] Company, retires on the pens[ion list] today.

Miss Nellie Summers, of [illegible] spent from Saturday until [illegible] with Mrs. Mary Johnson, of [illegible] street.

Thomas Douglass is home f[rom] State College spending the [holidays] with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Douglass.

Mrs. George A. Green, who [has been] confined to the house with [illegible] for the past week, is reported [con]valescing.

Harry J. Shoemaker, Esq., of [illegible] town, and Amos R. Allen, o[f] [illegible] were in Bristol Saturday eve[ning at]tending the annual meeting of [illegible] sonic lodge.

George C. Hughes, of Ne[illegible] spent Christmas with his mot[her and] sister, Mrs. Thomas Hughes [illegible] Martha Hughes.

Mrs. John Pursell, of Po[nd street] won the shoes given away [at Han]ford's remnant store during [the Christ]mas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Land[reth] and children spent Christmas [with Mr.] Landreth's mother, Mrs. Char[illegible] at Chestnut Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond [illegible] Media, spent the Christma[s holidays] with Mrs. Fabian's parents, [Mr. and] Mrs. S. W. Groff.

Howard Smith, of Greens[illegible] was visiting his sister, Mr[s.] [illegible] Moore, of Otter street, [during the] Christmas holidays.

"Spot," the pet fox terri[er] [be]longing to Claude Harris, wa[s struck] and killed by an automobil[e on] [illegible] street yesterday morning.

Charles B. Burns, mana[ger of the] Colonial Theatre, is ill at his [home in] Absecon, N. J. His son, Wa[illegible] is managing the playhouse.

Mr. and Mrs. William A[illegible] daughter, Dorothy, and Re[illegible] MacFall, of Trenton, spent [illegible] with Mr. and Mrs. Charles [illegible] of Pond street.

Dr. Fox's automobile sk[idded on] ice on Tuesday while co[ming down] Wood street, near Penn, a[nd strik]ing the curb the rear whee[ls] were broken. The chauffe[ur was not] injured.

Charles Johnson, of Bri[illegible] spent the week-end with D[r.] George M. Brodhead, at the [illegible] parsonage. On Sunday [illegible] rendered Handel's Largo as [illegible] at the regular monthly mus[icale].

Robert Ferry, of Dorra[nce street,] was accidentally shot in t[he] [illegible] a small calibre rifle on M[onday.] He and his brother were [illegible] the rear of his home. [The bullet] lodged in the muscle of th[e] [illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Dar[illegible] Darrah and Alfred Kirk, o[f] [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Charles B[illegible] Paoli; Conrad Brand, of B[illegible] Charles Swartley, of Phila[delphia,] dinner guests on Christm[as of] Mr. and Mrs. Edward Re[illegible] street.

Mr. and Mrs. John C[illegible] are entertaining at New Y[ear's] the following: Stephen M[illegible] Chester; Harold and Miss [illegible] tin, of Atlantic City, M[illegible] Nathan Bartlett, of Tuck[erton,] Miss Harriet Walmsley, o[f] [illegible] and Mr. and Mrs. Henry [illegible] Bristol.

Senator Buckman and [illegible] elect Pickering were to [illegible] members of the Bristol F[ish] Protective Association [illegible] evening and consult with [illegible] to stocking streams [illegible] fish. Neither of the legis[lators] [illegible] five members of the asso[ciation] [made] an appearance. The [illegible] the proposed meeting [illegible]

The Sunday school o[f the Bris]tol M. E. church started [illegible] o'clock Christmas eve [illegible] until nearly 1 o'clock, they w[ent about] town singing Christmas [carols. The] singing was well [illegible] young people received a [sub]stantial contribution [to]ward defraying the [cost of the] "feed" which was given [in the] basement after their [illegible] choir was under the dir[ection of] Guy, assisted by James [illegible] cornet.

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I know whose love would come down to me,
Mother o' mine.

If I were damned of body and soul,
I know whose prayers can make me whole,
Mother o' mine, mother o' mine!
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Dr. George T. Fox spent Christmas with his parents in Clinton, Mass.

William Lane, of Montreal, Canada, was visiting old friends here this week.

Miss Bessie Stuckert, of Newtown, has been visiting Mrs. John C. Stuckert.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clarence Hendricks spent Christmas with relatives in Perkasie.

Miss Annie Irwin, of Mt Airy, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Serrill Douglass.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tomlinson, who now reside in Upland, Pa.

Fourteen candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the P. O. S. of A. last evening.

Mrs. Hezekiah King, of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., has been the guest of Miss Annie B. Landreth.

The choir of the Baptist church will have a rehearsal tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock sharp.

Miss Gladys Renk and Miss Hilda Pope are visiting relatives of the former in New York.

Miss Ruth Johnston returned on Tuesday from a visit with Miss Lillie Eyre, at Frankford.

Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Filbert Allen, is confined to the house suffering with diphtheria.

Margaret Gleason, six years old, daughter of Henry Gleason, 625 Garden street, is ill with diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baldwin entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baldwin, of Lansdowne, on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Worthington, of Dorrance street, spent Christmas with relatives in West Philadelphia.

Ex-Burgess and Mrs. Henry E. Ancker have been guests of Miss Harriett Walmsley at Elkton, Maryland.

Mrs. Emma Spencely, of Chicago, Ill., is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Tillie Johnson, of Dorrance street.

Miss Isabel Swift, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. David Landreth, has returned to her home in St. Louis.

John Carr, who is a student in Baltimore, is spending the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. John A. Carr.

Dallas Irwin, of Cedar street employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, retires on the pension list today.

Miss Nellie Summers, of Trenton, spent from Saturday until Monday with Mrs. Mary Johnson, of Wood street.

Thomas Douglass is home from the State College spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Serrill Douglass.

Mrs. George A. Green, who has been confined to the house with diphtheria for the past week, is reported as convalescing.

Harry J. Shoemaker, Esq., of Doylestown, and Amos R. Allen, of Media, were in Bristol Saturday evening attending the annual meeting of the Masonic lodge.

George C. Hughes, of New York, spent Christmas with his mother and sister, Mrs. Thomas Hughes and Miss Martha Hughes.

Mrs. John Pursell, of Pond street, won the shoes given away by Hanford's remnant store during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Landreth, Jr., and children spent Christmas with Mrs. Landreth's mother, Mrs. Charles Hulse, at Chestnut Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fabian, of Media, spent the Christmas holiday with Mrs. Fabian's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Groff.

Howard Smith, of Greensburg, Pa., was visiting his sister, Mrs. Samuel Moore, of Otter street, during the Christmas holidays.

"Spot," the pet fox terrier dog belonging to Claude Harris, was run over and killed by an automobile on Mill street yesterday morning.

Charles B. Burns, manager of the Colonial Theatre, is ill at his home near Absecon, N. J. His son, Walter Burns, is managing the playhouse here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Arrison and daughter, Dorothy, and Rev. Edward MacFall, of Trenton, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. White, of Pond street.

Dr. Fox's automobile skidded on the ice on Tuesday while coming down Wood street, near Penn, and in striking the curb the rear wheels and axle were broken. The chauffeur was not injured.

Charles Johnson, of Bristol, Conn., spent the week-end with Dr. and Mrs. George M. Brodhead, at the Methodist parsonage. On Sunday evening he rendered Handel's Largo as a flute solo at the regular monthly musical service.

Robert Ferry, of Dorrance street, was accidentally shot in the leg with a small calibre rifle on Monday while he and his brother were shooting in the rear of his home. The bullet lodged in the muscle of the leg.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Darrah, Joseph Darrah and Alfred Kirk, of Andalusia; Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Darrah, of Paoli; Conrad Brand, of Brooklyn, and Charles Swartley, of Philadelphia, were dinner guests on Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Renk, of Beaver street.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Maule today are entertaining at New Year's dinner, the following: Stephen M. Trimble, of Chester; Harold and Miss Eleanor Martin, of Atlantic City; Mr and Mrs. Nathan Bartlett, of Tuckerton, N. J.; Miss Harriet Walmsley, of Elkton, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Ancker, of Bristol.

Senator Buckman and Assemblyman-elect Pickering were to have met with members of the Bristol Fish and Game Protective Association on Tuesday evening and consult with them in regard to stocking streams in this vicinity with fish. Neither of the legislators and only five members of the association put in an appearance. The publicity given to the proposed meeting was very limited.

The Sunday school choir of the Bristol M. E. church started out about 11 o'clock Christmas eve, and from then until nearly 1.30 they went around the town singing Christmas carols. The singing was well received and the young people received a number of substantial contributions which went toward defraying the expenses of a "feed" which was given in the church basement after their singing tour. The choir was under the direction of James Guy, assisted by James Lefferts on the cornet.

AMERICAN WORKINGMEN PLEAD WITH GRUNDY FOR WORK ON NEW BUILDING

Delegation of Fifty Visited the Mill Yesterday Morning and Want Jobs Held by Italians.

BUILDING A BIG POWER PLANT

Pleading for protection for American workingmen yesterday morning, fifty American laboring men went in a body to Joseph R. Grundy's mill requesting employment in the construction of a new power plant which Mr. Grundy has started on the old rolling mill site. None but Italians are employed at the present time.

When the men got to the mill office they were informed by Ellis Ratcliffe that Mr. Grundy was making a tour through the mill. The men declared they would wait. After lingering about the premises for an hour, the superintendent of the mill conferred with the job hunters and told them that nothing could be done under the circumstances. Finally they dispersed not fully convinced that there is any great amount of virtue in the Grundy pleas for a tariff for the protection of American labor.

THE NEW POWER PLANT

The new power plant upon which work has been started will be a concrete, steel and brick structure, in which electrical power will ultimately be developed to run all machinery in the various departments.

The engine room will be located just off Washington street, with the boiler room in the rear, toward the big seven-story building. The entire building will have a frontage on Washington street of 101 feet, and a frontage on Canal street of 111 feet, 5 inches. The back of the building will be about 176 feet in width. The engine room will be one story with basement, and the boiler room two stories with basement.

The exterior will be of white plaster to correspond with the appearance of the present seven-story building, and the roof will be of red concrete tile.

The engine room is designed as a daylight room, glass predominating in the side walls. The partition between the engine room and boiler room will be constructed in the same manner, giving an unobstructed view from one room into the other. The main floor of the engine room will be laid with English quarry tiles, and the white walls between the glass, and above and below it, will be of vitrified brick.

The engine room will house the engines and dynamos, while in the boiler room there will be a battery of boilers, and it is expected ultimately that the entire plant will develop 3000 h. p. when all the machinery is installed. At the present time only 800 h. p. will be developed.

There are several very interesting features about the new project that will interest everyone.

For instance, the arrangement of the coal delivery is remarkably clever. The car is sidetracked into the building, and the coal dumped into a crusher, which breaks the coal into the proper size for use. From the crusher it is carried automatically by buckets running on an endless chain under the boiler room up to the roof, and it is there dumped on the second floor. The empty buckets continue down the endless chain to the crusher to be refilled. This same endless chain system conveys the ashes from hoppers under the boilers back to the car to be taken away.

As the second floor will have a capacity of 3500 tons of coal, it is necessary to make this section of unusual strength. Also spontaneous combustion must be guarded against, and to obtain this end there will be air ducts to carry constantly currents of cold air under the coal to guard against any fire on the second floor.

Perforated steam pipes will be placed under the coal through which a tremendous pressure of steam can be sent to smother any incipient blaze. Showing the care with which the building has been designed, none of the piping will be underground, the pipes being exposed on the roof of the basement, under the engine room.

Another feature will be a fire pump with a capacity of 1500 gallons per minute.

Another interesting feature is the stack, which will be 200 feet high, with an eight-foot hole at the top.

For the convenience of the employees of the building there will be toilet rooms and shower baths, which will complete one of the finest equipped private power plants in the United States.

The building has been designed by the firm of Heacock & Hokanson, of Philadelphia, who are the architects and structural engineers in charge. The mechanical engineer is Jay M. Witham.

ESCAPED CONVICT ARRESTED

For Non-Support of Wife—It Was Learned He Was a Fugitive From Kansas.

Daniel Livingston was arrested on Sunday by Officers Tice and Musuff upon a warrant preferred by his wife, a daughter of C. M. Bue, of Washington street, Bristol, charging desertion and non-support. The man was arrested at the home of his wife, and when an attempt was made to handcuff him he drew a 44-calibre revolver and threatened the officers, but the man was safely locked up and at the hearing was held under $600 bail on the charge of non-support and $400 for carrying concealed deadly weapons.

After the man's arrest it was learned that he was wanted at Hutchinson, Kansas, by the officers of the state Reformatory, from which institution he escaped. The charge upon which he was committed there was grand larceny. He has been missing since 1911. The Kansas authorities were communicated with.

BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OFFERS STOCK TO EMPLOYES

Shares May Be Purchased on Instalment Plan at Less Than Present Market Price.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company has announced the completion of arrangements by which employes of the Bell system, who have been two years or more in the service may purchase stock of the company for $110 a share on easy payments.

The stock closed at 118 yesterday. No employe can purchase more than one share for each $300 of annual wages he receives nor more than ten shares whatever his wages.

The terms of payment will be $2 per share per month, beginning with March, and the quarterly dividends paid on the stock will go towards paying for it after deducting interest at 4 per cent. per annum on the unpaid balances.

The American Company has paid 8 per cent. dividend for seven years, and it is calculated that dividends at this rate and the $2 per share per month payments by employes will pay for the stock in full by November, 1918. Any employe who so desires can, after March 1, 1917, but not before, pay in the balance on his stock and receive his stock certificate.

Should an employe leave the service or die before his stock is fully paid for, the amount he has paid in, plus the accumulated dividends (less 4 per cent. interest) will be paid back.

On October 20th, the house in which Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was born in Portland, Maine, was dedicated under the auspices of the International Longfellow Society as a memorial to the poet.

BRISTOL FIREMEN FIGHT $20,000 BLAZE

Called Out About 5 O'clock in the Morning to Go to Andalusia.

NEED OF A PUMPING ENGINE

Bristol firemen were aroused from their slumber last Wednesday morning at five o'clock by the sounding of the fire alarm sent in by Chief Gilkeson, who had been summoned by phone and notified that the country home of Charles H. Biddle, Andalusia, was ablaze.

Companies 1, 3 and 5 went to the scene of the conflagration and after an heroic fight conquered the flames. It is estimated that the loss will reach $20,000.

The fire originated in a three-story brick and rough cast building used as quarters for the servants and as part of a tenant house on the Biddle estate, which was the home of former Judge Biddle and which is now owned by his son, Charles H. Biddle, a member of the Philadelphia Bar.

The flames gutted the three-story structure, partly consumed a two-story brick and rough cast building used as a stable, garage and harness storage building. Half of the latter building was saved through the efforts of the Bristol firemen.

Another frame two-story pump house and storage house, 20 by 30 feet, was saved and the other adjoining buildings in the path of the fire.

Chief Gilkeson, upon his return from the fire said:

"The thing was a roaring furnace when we arrived. And for nearly two hours I thought that the blaze would get the best of us, as it had a tremendous start."

Chemical Company, No. 36, of Holmesburg, was also summoned, but was delayed by ice. Their automobile apparatus is being repaired and a horse-drawn vehicle is now in service. Owing to the streets being in such a slippery condition, the horses became stalled at the foot of Red Lion hill. After some delay the company finally arrived at the scene of the fire and did good work.

The day was a complete triumph for motor-driven apparatus over the old style horse-drawn kind. The Bristol firemen, although having nearly one and one-half miles further to travel, reached the scene in a few minutes, while the horse-drawn apparatus was completely incapacitated.

The Bristol firemen fought the blaze with chemicals alone, there being no way to procure water without a pumping engine. Chief Gilkeson says:

"If we had had a pumping apparatus this morning we could have easily conquered the blaze in a short time."

The exact origin of the fire is not known, but is traced to sparks which are supposed to have lodged between partitions of the three-story servants' quarters.

The Cornwells recently organized company was summoned, but could not respond. The company has in the course of construction a house for their apparatus which is a chemical engine.

Because of the severe weather and being compelled to house their apparatus in an unheated building, all chemicals had to be removed from the tanks and could not be replaced in time to respond to the alarm.

The blaze attracted several spectators from nearby territory and all were profuse in their remarks of the great work done by the Bristol firemen. The Bristol men, although confronted with a raging furnace and handicapped by unusual weather conditions and lack of water, conquered the blaze and saved thousands of dollars' worth of property.

The summons to this fire is considered an additional argument for the aid of citizens to Bristol in the territory adjacent to Bristol in the purchase of an auto pumping engine.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO FIREMEN

One Thousand Dollars More Needed for the Purchase of Pumping Engine.

The firemen of Bristol were unfortunate in their selection of a night for holding their moving picture benefit. The pavements were so icy and so dangerous for pedestrians that very few persons ventured out. The show was a very good one and merited more support than it received. Doubtless had the weather been more favorable there would have been a much larger attendance.

These men of No. 1 Fire Company have been working hard to accomplish their purpose of purchasing a motor driven pumping engine, and need one thousand dollars more to bring the sum that they have collected up to four thousand dollars.

There is a crying need for an apparatus of that description, and the people of our town should not hesitate an instant in supporting these men in their laudable undertaking. In fact it becomes the duty of all who possess an atom of home-pride to aid in the accomplishment of this purpose. See that your name is added to the list of subscribers to the fund, and not only send your own contribution, but talk to your friends and neighbors and urge them to unite in helping.

Let us all get together and assist these firemen to equip themselves properly. It may mean the saving of thousands of dollars worth of property, and perhaps someone's life. It's worth trying for, and it is an assured fact that if we all unite in helping there will be no question of their success.

Previously acknowledged	$2824 00
J. Asta	25
Dominic Marchione	50
M. Merrie	50
Mepia Garetaros	25
Sam Sculto	25
Joe Giacofo	50
Frank Palma	50
Dominic Petina	1 00
Antonio Petolillo	25
Pasquale Gliarde	50
John Comengo	50
James Detale	25
Pasquale D. Renzo	25
G. Cattani	1 00
Jake Molden	1 00
Domenick A. Barrett	5 00
Bristol Trust Company	25 00
Charles Henry Moon	5 00
Hopkins Lodge, No. 87, I. O. O.F.	10 00
George Callahan	1 00
Owls Social	5 00
Fraternal Patriotic Americans Council No. 21	5 00
Alice V. Lippincott	1 00
William Speakman	1 00
	$2889 50

Sewed for War Sufferers.

The women of Emilie spent two afternoons and one full day sewing for the benefit of the war sufferers, especially the Belgians. There were sixty articles made, mostly of good, warm flannel and heavy gingham. Several good old clothes were given and some money with which four pair of shoes were purchased. One doll was bought and dressed by a little girl of six years, for some poor little Belgian girl. The box was a big one and was sent by express to the Emergency Relief Company in Philadelphia. This will help a few and there are so many more that need it and will need it all winter.

Fire on Lake Street.

The frame house on Lake street occupied by a colored family named Franks, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday morning about ten o'clock. The fire department responded promptly and saved the adjoining buildings. The property was owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Twenty families are being supported at Littlelands, California, on the product of one acre of ground for each family.

BRISTOL BANK TO OBSERVE ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Depositors and Patrons Invited to Call at the Banking House on January 12, 1915.

HISTORY OF ESTABLISHMENT

On Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, the one hundredth annual meeting of the Farmers National Bank of Bucks County, located at Bristol, will be held at the banking house.

Upon this most important occasion all depositors and patrons of the bank are cordially invited to call at the banking house and inspect the books, unique documents, and relics of the early days of the institution, which date back to the foundation of the bank one hundred years ago.

FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.

The Farmers National Bank was chartered by the Legislature in 1814, but did not commence business until January 17, 1815. It was one of the twenty-seven banks chartered under one bill. The act provided for dividing the State in twenty-seven districts, fixed the number of banks for each district and the number of shares they were authorized to issue. Bucks county had the authority to issue 8000 shares at $25 a share. Governor Snyder vetoed the bill. His veto message was lengthy, in which he set forth the danger of adding so large an amount of paper money as provided for by the bill ($9,525,000) to the currency. He declared it would have the tendency to unsettle values and demoralize the business of the country. The legislature made some changes in the bill and it was finally passed.

Books were opened for the subscription of stock to the Farmers National Bank on August 8, 1814, and continued until the 19th, when the stock was all subscribed.

On December 15, following, the stockholders met at the home of Harmon Mitchnor in Middletown township, for the purpose of organizing and agreeing upon the location for the bank. Hulmeville was selected and a board of directors chosen, which elected John Hulme, president, and George Harrison, cashier. The bank remained in Hulmeville until 1830 when it was removed to Bristol.

Previous to opening the bank for business the president was directed to procure a large chest, to be made of oak planks and have it lined and covered with sheet iron and be secured by strong locks and bolts with secret fastenings. This chest held the funds of the bank and is still preserved as a curiosity at the institution.

In 1830, when the bank was moved to Bristol, it was located in the building now owned and occupied by Dr. Pursell as a drug store, and the oak chest which had been the safe deposit of the people's money for fifteen years, was placed in the banking room near the window. During banking hours, for convenience, the lid was raised and the contents exposed to view.

In 1833 the bank was moved to the present location. It is a beautiful building of the old Colonial type and has all the modern improvements for banking. The building was built by James Craig for a summer residence at a cost of $15,000 in 1818. It is after the model of the old United States Bank, Chestnut street, Philadelphia, now the custom house, and was designed by the same architect.

The Farmers National Bank has always been carefully and successfully managed. Its officers have been conservative and prudent men.

The capital of the bank is, as originally $92,220, with an earned surplus fund of $270,000 and deposits amounting to a million and a quarter of dollars.

MASONS' ANNUAL BANQUET

Bristol Lodge, No. 25, F. & A. M., Elect Officers for the Year.

The annual meeting, election of officers and banquet of Bristol Lodge, No. 25, F. and A. M., was held last Saturday evening. There was a large attendance of members. Philip H. Longhurst, of Fallsington, was the retiring Worshipful Master.

The following officers were elected:

Dr. W. Albertson Haines, Worshipful Master.

Howard Thompson, Jr., Senior Warden.

J. Leslie White, Junior Warden.

William H. Watson, Secretary.

Harvey S. Rue, Treasurer.

Charles P. Dungan, Representative to Grand Lodge.

Dr. E. J. Groom, Benjamin W. Boutcher, Charles E. Scott, Lemuel Vandegrift and L. B. Girton, Trustees.

An excellent banquet was served in the dining hall of the lodge building. Addresses were made by A. Russell Burton, Charles E. Scott and others. The following was the menu:

Grape fruit, celery, olives, gherkins, stewed snapper, Vienna rolls, sweetbread, cutlets, peas, Roman punch, roast turkey, cranberry sauce, potato croquettes, asparagus, hearts of lettuce salad, harlequin ice cream, cakes, cheese, wafers, coffee, cigars and cigarettes.

Entertained at Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McMullen entertained a party of twenty-eight at their home on Mill street at a Christmas dinner. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. William McMullen and family, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Nettie Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Evans and family, Mrs. Laura M. Donnell and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Snyder, of Andalusia; Mrs. Anna Weest, of Bridgewater; Mr. and Mrs. William Alloways, of Lawrenceville, N. J.; Thomas Kennedy, of Andalusia, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry McMullen and son and mother.

Another Doylestown Man Lands.

George Shellenberger, of Doylestown, has been appointed Deputy Internal Revenue Collector for the new district to be formed of a territory embracing the part of Bucks county south of Doylestown and Montgomery county east of the line of the North Penn railway. This new district is made up of part of the district of which Oscar F. Helms, of Riegelsville, is now collector, and part of that in which John J. Ferry, Norristown, is coll[illegible] Mr. Shellenberg[illegible] take up [illegible] duties of his new [illegible] ton[illegible]y. [illegible] the [illegible] natives of th[illegible] ingto[illegible] naturalized in [illegible] from [illegible]ear.

BRISTOL SCHOOLS HAVE ANNUAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Directors, Preachers and G. A. R. Veterans Visit the Rooms.

CANTATAS WERE PRESENTED

On last Thursday morning the annual Christmas exercises of the Bristol public schools were held in the various departments when cantatas, songs, recitations and exercises by the pupils were given in a most creditable manner.

The departments were visited by the school directors, members of the clergy, G. A. R. veterans and a number of invited guests and the parents of many of the children.

The school rooms were bedecked in festival attire with trees and holly wreaths and paper decorations made by the students.

The most elaborate program was rendered at the Bath street building, where a temporary auditorium had been fitted up by the directors in an unoccupied room.

A cantata entitled "Santa's Mix-up" was given in which the characters were taken by the students. The cast included the following:

Santa Claus, Franklin Smith; Jack Frost, Lewis Myers; Miss Black, Elizabeth Green; Miss White, Edna King; Tinsella, Jeanette Harrison; janitor, William Rue; chief of police, Firman Ratcliffe; Ned, Francis Wear; Kitty, Hilda Smith.

The primary grades of the Bath street building held their program Wednesday. It comprised songs, music and recitations by the little folks.

The first, second and third grades of the Wood street building held their entertainment Thursday morning. It was admirably presented and the children recited in their usual excellent style.

Wednesday night the entertainment given by the pupils of the upper grades of the Jefferson avenue school was rendered in a very creditable manner.

The cantata presented was entitled, "Sleepy Santa," and the cast of characters was as follows:

Santa Claus, Jack Frost, Santa's Right Hand Man, The Sand Man, Fairy Bell, The Plotters, Santa's Toy Factory Girls, Three Wise Men, Sand Man's Winkers, Fairy Bell's Fairies, Four Little Tots.

The singing of the pupils was a striking feature and received merited applause. The characters were vividly portrayed.

The room was decorated with red and green paper, red bells and Christmas laurel, artistically festooned about the walls. At the rear of the place was a miniature fireplace with a blazing fire.

A handsome Christmas tree occupied one end of the stage and a large "Merry Christmas" sign was hung across the front of the stage with a large gold star.

On Wednesday afternoon the lower grades of the Jefferson avenue building rendered their Christmas program, which was as follows:

Song, Dorothy Kiner; "Santa Claus," Mitchell Ancker; "Christmas Snowflakes," six pupils of second grade; "The Day Before Christmas," Howard Lovett; "Santa Claus," Edith Kiner; "The Christmas Tree," six first grade pupils; "Merry Christmas," Chauncey Stoneback; song, school; "Christmas Acrostic," nine third grade pupils; "Santa Claus," Margaret Brinton; "Christmas Letters," six pupils of first grade; "Christmas Dolly Speaks," Anna Miller; "The Snow Fairies," ten pupils of third and fourth grades; "Sitting up for Santa Claus," Isabel Moore; "Christmas Time," four pupils of first grade A; "Under the Stars One Night," Elwood Shire; song, "Santa's Coming," school.

The grades in the Washington street building were also visited by the directors Thursday morning and an excellent program was given by the students.

The rooms were attractively decorated and the pupils were filled with the spirit of the holiday season.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Baptist.

William T. Johnston, Minister.

Morning service, 10.30, preaching by Rev. Henry W. Lambert, of Philadelphia.

Sunday school at 2 o'clock.

Men's meeting at 3.45, to be addressed by United States Senator Moses E. Clapp, of Minnesota.

Baptist Young People's Union at 6.45 p. m.

Evening service, 7.45, preaching by Rev. Henry W. Lambert.

Methodist Episcopal.

Rev. Dr. George M. Brodhead, Pastor.

Brotherhood Meeting, 9.45 a. m.

Morning service 10.45. Communion.

Sunday school, 2.15 p. m.

Epworth League, 6.45 p. m.

Evening service at 7.45.

Junior Epworth League, Wednesday afternoon at 3.45.

Weekly prayer service, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Presbyterian.

Charles E. Burns, D. D., Pastor.

Preaching 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sermons for the New Year.

Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

Men's Bible Class in pastor's study.

Christian Endeavor, 6.45 p. m. Topic: "Who is on the Lord's Side?" Leader, Miss Bessie Harper.

Ladies' Union, Monday evening.

Prayer meeting and Bible study, Wednesday evening.

Junior Endeavor, 3.45 p.m., Wednesday.

Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Thursday, 3.30 p. m., at the manse. Subject: "China."

Italian Presbyterian.

Nicola B. Caterino, Pastor.

Mrs. A. W. Groom, Missionary.

Preaching at 10.30 a. m.

Sunday night service, last Sunday of the month, 7.30.

Prayer meeting, Friday, 7.30 p. m.

Bethel A. M. E.

Rev. J. A. Browne, Pastor.

10.30 a. m., preaching.

2.30 p. m., Sunday school.

8 p. m., preaching.

Hulmeville Methodist.

Rev. J. R. Laird, Pastor.

10.45 a. m., communion service. Sermon by the pastor. Subject: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory."

Sunday school at 2 p. m.

Epworth League at 6.45 p. m. led by Thomas H. Schatt.

Evening worship at 7.30. Sermon by the pastor. Subject: "The Forward Look."

The mail order business of Chicago made a ten per cent. increase last year, as compared with the previous one.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT LIQUOR LICENSES

Bucks Has Four Times as Many Saloons as Chester or Delaware Counties.

116 RETAIL LICENSED PLACES

A writer in the Doylestown Democrat gives the following interesting communication:

License Court down in Delaware county began on Monday. At the first session of the court all the liquor licenses were granted but one. Last year the No-License League made a bitter fight in Delaware county against all retail licenses. This fight was not continued at the present license court. But this year the league continued its war to liquor stores and bottling establishments.

In connection with the present Delaware county license court it is interesting to notice that Bucks has far out-distanced its neighboring county in gaining liquor licenses. In proportion to its population Bucks county has four times as many saloons as Delaware county. Considering this same proportion, we also have four times as many drinking places as Chester county, a third more than Montgomery county, and a third more than Philadelphia. Rather startling figures, but easy of verification. There are in fact only twelve counties in the State that have more licenses in proportion to their population than Bucks. Most of these counties are in the coal regions and have large foreign populations. They are Berks, Lehigh, Northampton, Monroe, Pike, Carbon, Schuylkill, Montour, Columbia, Luzerne, Lackawanna and Sullivan.

Judge Ryan refused to renew the licenses of five hotels in Bucks, at the last May term of license court. That might alter these figures some, but not much.

Without any reference to the temperance question, Bucks county presents some interesting liquor license facts and figures. When one scans the records closely there are some things presented which are in a way remarkable. Let us look at the figures first, then the facts.

There are now 116 retail licensed places in this county and nine wholesalers and bottlers. Of the 116 retail licensed dealers, 47 are in boroughs and 69 in townships. In the boroughs of this county the license fee is $200 for retail and $150 for wholesale places; in the townships $150 for retailers and $125 for wholesalers.

The figures show that in Bucks there were received this year:

From retail licenses, $19,750.

From wholesalers, bottlers, brewers, distillers, etc., $3,250.

The State gets the whole $3,250 from this latter class of licenses. It also gets 25 per cent. of the amount of the retail license fees. Fifteen per cent. of the retail license fees goes to the county, and 60 per cent. is paid to the boroughs and townships in which they originate. This gives the boroughs of the county a revenue from licenses this year of $5,640 and the townships, $6,210.

Seven county judges in Pennsylvania last spring refused all licenses because no adequate necessity for the same could be shown. In some instances, as that of Judge Criswell, in Venango county, the non necessity was based on "the growing sentiment against the sale of liquor." On this ground Judge Criswell's ruling closed twelve saloons in Oil City, seven in Franklin and one in Rouseville. Judge Criswell was sustained in the Superior Court by President Judge Rice. The Superior Court's decision, however, did not affirm Judge Criswell's proposition that "the growing sentiment against the sale of liquor" made out a want of necessity. It's finding was based upon the fact that Judge Criswell had used proper discretion in deciding the license applications, and that therefore the upper court could not interfere. Judge Rice said:

"It is not our province to discuss or determine the correctness of the result reached. As has been declared repeatedly, it is the discretion of the Court of Quarter Sessions, not ours, that the law requires."

A Doylestown attorney pointed out to me the other day the fact that so many of the prominent hotels of the county have passed into the hands of men who came from outside of Bucks. There was a time when practically all of the landlords of the county's chief hostelries were to the manor born. They were prominent men in their communities, and widely known throughout the county. This was the period when the hotel was looked upon as an institution rather than a business. It was the time of Samuel Bush, of the Bush House, Quakertown; of William Corson, the Fountain House, and Allen H. Heist, the Monument House, Doylestown; Jacob Sutter, Point Pleasant; Philip R. Brunner, Newville; Edward Tomlinson, Whitehall Hotel, Newtown; Michael VanHart and Andrew J. Solomon, New Hope; Thomas Harper, Ottsville; Samuel Carty, Riegelsville; Abraham Steever, Dublin; Isaac Keller, Plumsteadville, and Judge Joseph R. Morrison, the Anchor, near Pineville. This was the time when the old hotels of the county still retained much of the picturesque flavor of the English Inn.

Special Meeting of Council.

A special meeting of the Bristol borough council was held in the council chambers on Wednesday evening. The only business transacted was the reading of the report of the Finance committee.

Coroner Neville Resigns.

Coroner William Neville, of Norristown, who was elected as representative of the Second Legislative District of Montgomery county, has sent his resignation as Coroner to Governor Tener. It is generally believed that the Governor will appoint former Coroner Grant R. McGlatherty to fill the vacancy.

LOCAL NEWS

John J. Tyrol entertained a number of Bristol friends at dinner on Sunday.

Robert R. Pearson has moved into his new store at the corner of Mill and Pond streets. R. Venere, the tailor, has moved into the store and dwelling vacated by Mr. Pearson.

Dudley Bell, a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is spending the holiday season with his mother, Mrs. Fred Decker.

The business meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. S. B. Ardrey, 212 Mulberry street, on Monday evening, January 4th.

Calvin Philips, Jr., of Seattle, Wash., a student at the University of Pennsylvania, visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Leech, this week.

Seleno Johnson, who is playing a leading part with Miss Billie Burke in "Jersey," was born in Bristol. Her mother is a sister of Joseph Cooper, of Bath street.

Councilman and Mrs. B. Frank Conner, Jr., returned on Monday from Harrisburg, where they spent Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clippinger.

A children's New Year's party for the primary grade will be held tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock in the Presbyterian Sunday school room. All the scholars are invited to attend.

On Christmas morning at eight o'clock, Jesse Vanartsdalen, of Langhorne, and Miss Susan Miller, of Bristol, were married at the Baptist parsonage by the Rev. W. T. Johnston.

Congres[illegible] series of [illegible] meeting. of New[illegible] M. Chandler, [illegible] excellent patri[illegible] meeting in the [illegible] Aluminum-sole[illegible] at Sunday af[illegible] borers compell[illegible]ly appreciated [illegible] bound or w[illegible] other tops.

OPPOSITION TO AMBLER FOR SPEAKER OF HOUSE

Began Final Stage of Campaign Last Tuesday.

THERE MAY BE A DARK HORSE

Charles A. Ambler, of Abington, who represents the First Legislative District of Montgomery county in the State Assembly, on Tuesday began the final stage of his campaign for the Speakership of the next House by announcing the first public pledge of support for any candidate. In reality, the last lap of the Speakership race was begun, for both Ambler and Richard J. Baldwin, of Delaware county, the other leading candidate announced plans for their campaign at Harrisburg. Baldwin topped it off by calling on Governor-elect Brumbaugh. With these two candidates declaring that they are in the fight to the finish and with each asserting his confidence in victory there is a suggestion in political circles that ultimately a compromise may be reached.

MAY BE DARK HORSE

It was argued that in the event of the contest between Ambler and Baldwin becoming to fierce, with posibly the liquor element backing Baldwin and the local optionists Ambler, that the State leaders might seize upon the candidacy of Henry I. Wilson, of Jefferson county. In view of the fact that friends of Senators Penrose and McNichol say that the latter are not committed to any candidate there is a feeling in some quarters that Wilson may develop into a "dark horse."

Ambler's first pledge came from the three Representatives from Chester County, Samuel A. Whitaker, Marsh M. Hollingsworth and Charles P. Greenwood.

JOHNSON BACKS AMBLER

Another interesting point was the announcement that Insurance Commissioner Charles Johnson, of Montgomery county, would manage the Ambler campaign. It was asserted that this announcement emphasized politically, the accepted view that Ambler was most favored by Doctor Brumbaugh. For it was said that Johnson is a candidate for reappointment as Insurance Commissioner at the hands of Governor-elect Brumbaugh. Therefore it was added he would not openly risk his chances unless he were sure that the Doctor looked with satisfaction on the Ambler movement.

Representative Baldwin said, after his chat with Doctor Brumbaugh that he had held a satisfactory interview and that he was confident of winning. He discussed legislative matters with the Governor-elect, telling him that he had never stood for anything that was not right.

DEATH CLAIMS A NUMBER

MRS. ANNIE PARKINSON

Mrs. Annie Parkinson, in her 67th year, wife of George Parkinson, who had been an invalid for eight years, died of paralysis of the heart at her home, 1006 Wood street, Bristol, on Sunday afternoon at 1.45 o'clock.

The deceased was a native of England. Besides her husband she leaves a daughter. The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 11.30 o'clock. Interment in Bristol cemetery.

MRS. CATHERINE TRUDGEN.

Mrs. Catherine Trudgen, of Bristol, 63 years old, died last Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock of chronic intestinal nephritis. She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clarence McMullen, Otter street. Besides Mrs. McMullen, Mrs. Warren Thompson survives her. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon.

S. HEADLEY KING.

S. Headley King, 72 years old, a retired farmer, died of apoplexy at his home in East Bristol township on Thursday, the day before Christmas, after a short illness. Mr. King was well known in this section and was a member of the township school board. He leaves a widow, four sons and a daughter. W. Harry King and Robert B. King, of Bristol, and James King, of the township are brothers of the deceased. The funeral was held on Monday. Interment in Bristol cemetery.

WALTER B. MOORE.

Walter B. Moore, 47 years old, died at his home, 317 Washington street, Bristol, on Saturday morning, of cancer of the throat. The deceased was a machinist by trade and was born in Wales. He leaves a wife and several small children. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon. Interment at Bristol cemetery.

MRS. LEVINIA DOAN.

Mrs. Levinia Doan, 76 years old, wife of Charles Doan, died on Sunday at her home in Tullytown. The funeral was held on Wednesday.

Senator Clapp to Speak Here.

Next Sunday will be the tenth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. William T. Johnston at the First Baptist church, Bristol, and in honor of the event, he has secured United States Senator Moses E. Clapp, of Minnesota, to address the men's meeting at 3.45 o'clock. Senator Clapp is well known to the men of Bristol and is very popular and no doubt a large audience will greet him.

Entertainment at Fallsington.

An entertainment for the benefit of the Fallsington L. T. L. will be held in Library Hall, Fallsington, on Saturday evening, January 16th, consisting of the four-act drama, "Farm Folks," readings by Louise White Watson and musical selections by Miss Eva Paff. Doors open at 7.30, entertainment begins at 8 o'clock. Admission, 25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents.

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50c and Up
ALSO STRAPS
C. C. STRUMFELS
311 MILL STREET

Attended Dance in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. White, well known to the plumbing trade as president of the Keystone Plumbers' Supply Company, gave a dance at the Manufacturers' Club, Philadelphia, on Wednesday night. During the dinner shortly after eleven o'clock the building caught fire from the fourth floor, causing an adjournment of the festivities. Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Leedom and Mrs. Ernest Lawrence, of Bristol, were the only guests from Bucks county.

The noblest spirit is most strongly attracted by the love of glory.—Cicero.

Shrapnel, which has done far more damage to the Allies than the German rifle fire, is a British invention over a century old. Its inventor was General Shrapnel, an English officer, who was born in 1761, and was given a commission in the Royal Artillery in 1779.

SPECIAL NOTICES

Advertisements under this head will be inserted for one cent a word. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

WANTED—Man with real sales ability, capable of earning $100 or more per month. Fine opportunity for man acquainted with trade in Pennsylvania to build up permanent and profitable business. Stetson Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

HOUSE FOR RENT—Six roomed house at Eddington for rent. Apply to Lemuel Vandegrift, Eddington. 1-1-6t

WANTED—Washing by the dozen or family wash. Address "E," 517 Maple street, Bristol, Pa.

FOR SALE—All or any part of twenty-one shares Bristol Trust Company stock. State highest price willing to pay. Lock Box 68, Nazareth, Pa. 12-25-2t

FRANK PETTIT ORNAMENTAL Iron Works, 805, 807, 809 Master street, Phila., Pa. Manufacturer of Ornamental Iron Work, Iron Fencing, Fire Escapes, Cemetery Enclosures. Both Phones 4-18-lyr

WANTED—Office work or situation of any kind. Apply to 417 Washington street. 12-18-3t

FOR RENT—$10 per month, 303 Walnut street. Apply to Wm. E. Laing, 829 Radcliffe street. 12-11-tf

ROOMS FOR STORAGE—Apply to 261 Wood street. 9-11-13t

FOR SALE—Second-hand 4 h. p. Water Cooled Gasoline Engine. Used only one season. Also a 1 h. p. and a 6 h. p. S. B. Ardrey & Sons, Bristol, Pa. 9-4-tf

HAVE JUST RECEIVED a new lot of Marble and Granite. Place your order now and get advantage of same. We will hold for you, then you will not be disappointed in the fall. Bannister Marble and Granite Works. 1-30-tf

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PLACE YOUR FIRE INSURANCE in the North American. Always pays its losses promptly. Protect everything you value. Wm. E. Laing, Agent, 829 Radcliffe street. 5-8-tf

FOR RENT—Two good houses on Burgess Farm, adjoining village of Fallsington. Apply to John W. Tatum, Fallsington, Pa. 3-27-tf

RECANING OF CHAIRS—Don't throw away those old chairs. I will call for and deliver them. I am the only man in Bristol who canes chairs. Drop a postal Lewis P. Townsend, 156 Buckley street. 6.12-tf

NEW HOUSE FOR SALE—Seven rooms, enclosed shed, heater, range and large lot. Inquire Lewis R. Walton Andalusia. 11-7-tf

FENCING—Pittsburg Perfect, poultry, lawn, farm, sold and erected. S. B. Ardrey & Sons, Pond street, Bristol, Pa. 4-4-tf

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322 Dorrance Street
Cigars, Tobaccos, Confectionery and Notions
Full Line of Smoking Tobacco and Pipes
A share of your patronage solicited
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NOTICE! NOTICE!
Guaranteed Dandruff Cure
I will guarantee to cure your dandruff within three weeks or refund your money.
A. M. DELIA
515 Wood Street Bristol, Pa.
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AUDITOR'S NOTICE

The undersigned auditor, appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County, to pass upon claims and distribute the funds in the hands of Lemuel Vandegrift, Sequestrator of G. Dallas Wagner, among the parties entitled thereto, hereby gives notice that he will meet all persons interested in the distribution of the said estate at his office in the Borough of Bristol, on Friday, the Fifteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at 10 A. M., for the purpose of attending to the duties of his appointment.

HUGH B. EASTBURN, JR., Auditor.

12-25-3t

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Florence Hendricks, Asst. Secretary
10.16-tf

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No other key will fit it from the outside but its own.
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Jobbing Promptly Attended to.
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ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Marmaduke W. Vandegrift, late of Bensalem township.

Letters testamentary having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having legal claims against same will present them in proper form for settlement without delay to

LEMUEL VANDEGRIFT, Executor.

1-1-6t

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Want desirable farms for sale; good buildings; convenient to train or trolley; no extravagant prices. Commission 3 per cent. Send photographs and ask for listing sheet.
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Our prices are much lower than the city establishments.
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Several cold, blustering months are before us when the skin is liable to become roughened and inflamed by the cold winds unless some good, protecting lotion is used. Our
Glyco-Benzoin Lotion
is the best preparation you can use. It is dainty, being neither greasy nor sticky and is quickly absorbed by the skin, leaving it soft, clear and velvety. It has protective qualities found in no other lotion and preserves the complexion no matter how trying the weather.
15 and 25c BOTTLES
Ask for Free Samples.
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Our Wish.
We wish you to depend on our store during Nineteen Fifteen. We invite your confidence and to merit it we offer you every courtesy and convenience.
LIVE PEOPLE DEAL HERE
—those who appreciate DRUGS of strength and quality as well as right and just prices.
IT PAYS TO DEAL AT A LIVE DRUG STORE.
Everything is on the move. Drugs are not allowed to get old. Your are always sure of getting them Pure and Fresh at
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UP-TO-DATE TAILORS
Fine wool fabrics in all the latest colors and designs.
Let us measure you for that new suit.
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The poet said "Build Thee More Stately Mansions."
WE HAVE DONE IT
They are at the corner of Mill and Pond Streets, and are now ready for rent.
Call and look them over.
Happy New Year.

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Farmers National Bank of Bucks Co

Bristol, Pa., December 10, 1914.

The annual meeting of the shareholders for the election of Directors, and such other business as may come before them, will be held at the Banking House, TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1915, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

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Brazil's Name.

Long before the Portuguese colonized the coast of Brazil adventurous Bristol merchants had equipped expeditions in vain search for the supposed island of Brasylle. Who gave Brazil her present name is unknown to fame—the early Portuguese called it Terra da Vera Cruz—but whoever baptized the country took the name from the East Indies. For many years before the discovery of Brazil merchants had brought from the east for the use of dyers a wood which yielded a beautiful red color—brasil or brasilly. The West Indies have trees of the same sort, but Brazil contains them in more abundance than any other country. So that Brazil wood is not called so after the country. The country is named so because of its red dye trees.—London Chronicle.

Travels of Roots.

Roots travel amazing distances in search of their requirements. A timber merchant, excavating for a sewer in England, found an elm root one and a quarter inch in diameter and sixty-three feet long running through a bed of sawdust from the tree to the nearest water.

The aggregate length of root thrown out by some plants is almost incredible. A cucumber will, within its short life of about half a year, throw out from ten to fifteen miles of roots.

Clover roots will go straight down to a depth of six to nine feet in search of moisture, and coltsfoot, one of the most powerful and persistent of weeds, sends its suckers down to an even greater depth.—London Stray Stories.

Lost the Point.

The Teacher—Now, children, listen to this. Thomas Campbell, the famous poet, once walked six miles to a printing office to have a comma in one of his poems changed to a semicolon. Why did he take all that trouble? Bright Boy—Cause he didn't have no tellyphone.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Publicity.

"It's a bad thing to talk about your neighbors."

"That's right," replied the man who is all business. "Publicity is worth something these days. I shouldn't think of talking about anybody except at advertising rates."—Washington Star.

Another Recipe.

Aspiring Novelist—Ah, sir I am highly flattered, I am sure, to hear that you take my book to bed with you and read it there! An quaintance—Yes, I have been troubled with insomnia for a long time, and I find one of your pages much better than any medicine.

The Potato Habit.

Potato eating has become a habit not because potatoes contain enough nourishment to carry on life, but because they are cheap, easy to prepare and bulky enough to fill up the stomach. The potato consists almost entirely of starch, and though this has a place in the diet it is not capable of building up strength and muscle. Constant reference is made to the hardihood of sailors and early settlers. They were largely raised on a potato diet, for the potato was a luxury as late as 1800, to be served with sugar, nutmeg and mace. It is a product of more recent years part and parcel of the giant struggle to keep down the living expense at the cost of the body.

This does not mean that potatoes should be eliminated from the dietary, for like every other food they have a definite mission to fulfill, but they must be used with discretion and in proper combination. Excessive use brings an inevitable trail of anaemia, obesity and autointoxication.—Country Gentleman.

Poisoners of Rome.

Tofana, the Italian woman poisoner of the seventeenth century, was carrying on a tradition of ancient Rome. In 331 B. C. a supposed pestilence swept the city, and many leading men were carried off. Then a slave girl gave information, and the authorities surprised twenty Roman matrons preparing drugs over a fire. Since they insisted that the drugs were not poisonous they were compelled to drink them in the Forum, and all perished. Further information having been laid, 170 matrons were condemned. In 184 B. C. a four months' inquiry by the praetor resulted in the condemnation of 2,000 persons for poisoning. There were many similar scandals, but it will always remain doubtful whether in any particular one of these ancient cases the epidemic was not really natural.—London Spectator.

Always Doubtful.

1905—It is doubtful if men will ever fly.

1914—It is doubtful if men will ever fly across the ocean.

1920—It is doubtful if men will ever fly around the world.

1925—It is doubtful if men will ever fly to Mars.—Pittsburgh Post.

Distasteful to Him.

"Look at those cannibals gamboling about the pot."

"I never did care for those dinner dances," said the other shipwrecked one.—Kansas City Journal.

Made a Bad Job of It.

Mr. Benson—That Mr. Crossley, who called last evening is a self made man.

Mrs. Benson—Too bad he couldn't have made himself a little more agreeable.

Courage of Innocence.

To dread no eye and to suspect no tongue is the greatest prerogative of innocence; an exemption granted only to favorable virtue.—Johnson.

Wrong Both Ways.

"Your friend the earl, Amalie, dear?"

"Your husband—He's too old for me. Is he likable?" "That too new for me?"—Die Muskete, Vienna.

HOW A DEEP SEATED COUGH

And Sore Lungs Were Overcome by Vinol—Mr. Hillman's Statement of Facts Follows:

Chester, N. J.—"I had a deep seated cough, run-down system and my lungs were badly weak and sore. I am an engineer by occupation and my cough kept me awake nights so I thought at times I would have to give up. I tried everything everybody suggested and spending so much medicine I was disheartened.

"One evening I read about Vinol and decided to give it a trial. Soon I noticed a change for the better. I kept on taking it and in a short time I am a well man. The soreness is gone from my lungs, I do not cough and have gained fifteen pounds in weight and I am telling my friends what Vinol did for me."—FRANK [illegible], Chester, N. J.

We guarantee Vinol, cheese-building tonic, for any form of throat or lung trouble and if after taking Vinol as directed you do not gain strength and feel better we will return your money. We have never sold a medicine that could show such a record of satisfied customers in this vicinity as we have for Vinol, and we unhesitatingly recommend it for coughs, chronic colds, bronchitis, weak lungs, throat troubles, general debility, and as a body builder for old people and children.

We have sold Vinol for many years and have never handled any medicine that has given such general satisfaction as Vinol. We ask you to try our plan—if you are not entirely satisfied with the results we will gladly refund your money. [illegible], Druggist, [illegible], Pa.

Military Forces of Servia.

Servia's plan of military organization is distinctive. Compulsory service is personal for all able bodied men and pecuniary for all who are incapable of personal service. These latter must pay an indirect tax of 30 per cent additional. The military forces are divided into a national army and the landsturm, which forms the last line of defense. Service in the national army begins at twenty-one and ends after forty-five. In the landsturm it begins at seventeen, ends at twenty-one, begins again at forty-six and ends at fifty.

The national army consists of three bans, the first ban including all able bodied men between twenty-one and thirty-one, the second ban all between thirty-one and thirty-eight and the third those between thirty-eight and forty-five.

The first ban has its cadre, a school through which every able bodied man of twenty-one must pass. No one is allowed to change his nation city while belonging to the first ban, nor can any member thereof receive any outside appointment or become even a monk until he has served his term in the army.—Baltimore Sun.

Titles of the Czar.

Of all monarchs of Europe the most imposing in his list of titles is Nicholas of Russia, who bears the following honors: Emperor and autocrat of all the Russias, czar of Moscow, Kiev, Vladimir, Novgorod, Kazan, Astrakhan, Poland, Siberia, the Taaric Chersonese and Georgia; lord of Pskow, grand duke of Smolensk, Lithuania, Volhynia, Podolia and Finland; prince of Esthonia, Livonia, Kurland, Semgalle, Samogitia, Bielostok, Carelia, Tver, Perm, Yougoria, Viatka, Bulgaria, etc.; lord and grand duke of Lower Novgorod, Tcherigoff, Riasan, Polotsk, Rostoff, Yaroslav, Beloserb, Oudoria, Obodria, Condia, Vitebsk, Matisław and all the regions of the north; lord and sovereign of Iveria, Cartalinia, Kabardinia and the Armenian provinces; sovereign of the Circassian and mountain princes; lord of Turkestan, heir of Norway and duke of Schleswig-Holstein, Stormarn, Ditmarsen and Oldenburg.

Reciprocity.

With a feeling of sadness for the recipient, Dorothy finally concluded to pen a missive to her former fiance.

"Dear Harold," it read. "No doubt you are aware that I am to marry Mr. Anthony the coming month. I shall, therefore, appreciate it very much if you will burn all the little notes I sent you, assuring you of reciprocity in regard to those you sent me.

"DOROTHY BELL."

Immediately upon receipt of above the young man made this reply:

"Dear Dorothy—I shall certainly comply with your request, and at once. And, incidentally, as your new fiance also holds a few little notes of mine I shall count it a great favor should you be able to induce him to burn them with the rest.

"HAROLD SAWYER."

—Buffalo Express.

Soothing His Father.

The father of Sir Hubert Herkomer, the great painter, was a poor man, and the professor brought him from his native land in Germany to live with him in his beautiful house near London. The old man used to model in clay in his early life, and now that he had leisure he took to it again in his old age. But his hands trembled, and the work showed signs of imperfection. It was his one sorrow. At night he went to bed early, and when he had gone his son would go into the studio, take his father's poor work and make it as beautiful as possible. When the old man came down in the morning he would look at the work and rub his hands and say: "Ha! I can do as well as ever I did."

For the Good of the Lawyers.

"Say, pa," inquired young Sylvester Snodgrass, "what's a test case?"

"A test case, my son," replied the senior Snodgrass, "is a case brought into court to decide whether there's enough in it to justify lawyers in working up more cases of the same kind."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Old Time Beggars.

In the eighteenth century begging was a frightful nuisance in the German states. In Bava in whole regiments had to be sent out to arrest and punish the numerous professional beggars, and Cologne, with a population at the time of only 40,000, had nearly 10,000 paupers.

Early Rising.

Some one asked Archbishop Whately if he believed personally in early rising. That witty divine replied that he had on one occasion risen early, but that he felt so proud all the morning and so sleepy all the afternoon that he had resolved in the evening never to do it again.

Why, Indeed?

Why should a man go to a phrenologist to find out pleasant things about himself when he can't believe any disagreeable things he already knows?—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Noah's Complaint.

An echo from the original complainant: "We had but two clothes closets on the ark," said Noah, "and my wife took both of 'em."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Hint That Failed.

Wife—A tree, you know, gets new clothes every spring—hat parasol, everything. Husband—Yes, darling, and makes them all itself.—Fliegende Blatter.

Migrates to Death.

There is a curious little rodent, peculiar to the regions of Norway and Sweden, which is about six inches in length. These animals are remarkable for migrating at certain periods in immense multitudes in a straight line. They go in parallel columns, and nothing will induce them to deviate from the straight line, the migration always terminating in the sea and ending in the drowning of all that have survived the journey.

Diplomatic.

Hungry Hawkins—Do yer mean to say yer got a square meal o' dat sort o' woman? Diplomatic Mike—Sure! Hungry Hawkins—Yer a wonder. How'd yer do it? Diplomatic Mike—When she opened de door I sez, "Is yer mother at home, miss?"—Chicago News.

Reasons For Love.

Patience—All the girls just hate him because he's going to marry me. Patrice—You love him for the enemies he has made, I suppose.—Yonkers Statesman.

He Did the Receiving.

Mrs. Best—Tell the gentleman I am not receiving today, Nora. New Maid—But he ain't delivering, mum, he's collectin'.—Puck.

Often Miss-Laid It.

Maud—What a finely chiseled mouth Jack has. It ought to be on a girl's face. Ethel—It is, pretty often.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Arboreal Advantage.

Stella—You can tell a tree's age by its rings. Bella—No wonder; it doesn't have to give any of them back.—New York Sun.

French Dueling Methods.

Many of the duels in France end without bloodshed. When the offense is not very serious it is agreed beforehand that the words of command shall be given so rapidly that the duelists will not have time to take good aim. Sometimes three shots are exchanged without a hit, and then the seconds step in and "honor is satisfied." At the word "Fire!" the pistol is raised instantly, and it must be discharged not later than the word "Three!" so the speed with which these words are given regulates the time in which it is possible to take aim. Therefore the speed with which they are spoken is agreed on beforehand, this depending upon the seriousness of the duel. The words are timed with a metronome. If the encounter be very serious this is set at the lowest speed, eighty beats a minute, which gives time for taking accurate aim. A speed of 140 beats a minute allows no time for aiming, and, therefore, is used when seconds think the duel should be made as little dangerous as possible.—Philadelphia Record.

Sensation of Drowning.

This is how a correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette describes the escape from drowning.

"I and a party of friends had rowed far out into the bay. We all plunged into the sea and swam about. I went farther than my friends and I imagine I got tired. I went deep down and came up again, and I remember the look of the sky. Then I went down again, and I distinctly heard a sound of most lovely singing. I imagine this was from my ears. I had not the very slightest feeling of suffocation or fear. Only I thought that my hair, band, which was not with us, would be so grieved. The music became louder and more beautiful, and I saw a dazzling light. The next thing I felt was agony. My friends had missed me, and as I came up for the last time they saw my head. I was hauled into the boat and then came indescribable agony as I was brought back to life. The lungs filling again was torture."

You're Being Talked About.

We do not wish to alarm you unduly, but do you know that you are being criticised? It may be that you do not care, either because you are so abandoned and so bent upon an evil course as to be lost to all sense of shame or because you are so immaculately virtuous as to leave not a single vulnerable point of attack for the slanderous tongue. The fact remains that uncomplimentary things are being said about you, things that you would not at all agree with your estimate of yourself. Not one of your friends but objects to something about you. Maybe you do care. If so we are sorry for you, because you cannot stop it. It would be a good thing for you to mend your ways, but don't expect to stop the talk in that way. Figure your life out the very best way you can and then expect your neighbors and friends to disapprove in all possible combinations and permutations.—Life.

Early Earrings.

The earring is not a modern invention, for more than twenty centuries ago the daughter of Aristotle wore golden hoops. The philosopher's daughter's earrings were found in her tomb near Chalcis, in Euboea, by exploring archaeologists, and certainly modern workmanship cannot produce their equals. In each golden loop swung a tiny dove, with precious stones for eyes and bands of minute gems to give the color of the iridescent breast and wings. The feathers were of granulated gold, and the tail feathers were so marvelously wrought and adjusted that they acted like a balance, as in a living bird, so that the exquisite miniature creatures whenever the wearer moved or laughed or tossed her head would move and balance themselves upon their pendent perches.

Message of the Telephone.

There is nothing in the sound of the shrill little telephone bell to warn us of the import of its message. More's the pity, it may be that here whose telephone conversation begins, "Well, what do you know today?" it may be your lawyer to say you've inherited a million. Hence the arrogance of the instrument. It knows its voice will never willfully go unanswered so long as the element of chance lies concealed within it.—American Magazine.

Corn in Kansas.

The earliest mention of corn in Kansas is found in the account of Coronado's expedition in 1541-2. Professor Williston found charred corn in the ruins of prehistoric Indian pueblos in Scott county, estimated by him to be at least two and a half centuries old.

How It Was Managed.

"Did you do as I told you, Willie," inquired the mother, "and not ask Mrs. Winters for pie a second time?"

"Yes'm," said Willie proudly. "I didn't have to ask more than once; I got the first piece without asking."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Good Practice.

Dr. Busier—How is your practice? Dr. Grassler—First rate; it couldn't be better. I had more than 1,200 patients last year and didn't lose a single cent.—Toledo Blade.

Incomplete Information.

"We are now exactly a thousand feet above the level of the sea."

"What sea?"

"The guidebook doesn't say."—Bon Vivant.

Beyond his power the bravest cannot fight.—Homer.

Echoes Made to Order.

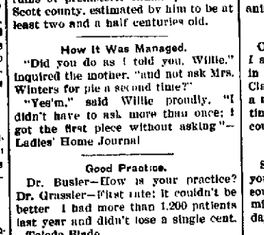
Are you aware that it is possible to make echoes? It is, indeed, easier to make than to destroy them.

In the past men built their great temples and cathedrals with no thought of acoustics. Hence, when the preacher preached echoes rolled freely amid the groinings of the roof, down the rows of sculptured columns and round and round the nave.

With wires strung here and with tapestries spread there many of the echoes of the old world buildings have been obliterated. There are echo experts—builders acquainted with the science of acoustics, whose specialty is echoes' destruction. Sometimes their tasks are hard.

Today an architect takes thought of the echo. His building is constructed so as to exclude this intruder. And, knowing how to exclude it, he knows how to welcome it also.

Architects are frequently called upon in landscape work to put up summer houses and arrange rocks around them so as to create an echo there. And this they can satisfactorily do.—London Tit-Bits.



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How Stilton Cheese Is Made.

Stilton cheeses differ from ordinary cheeses in the method of manufacture. Each Stilton is made in a circular mold, or vat, two feet deep and about nine inches in diameter, perforated at the sides and bottom. When the milk has been turned into curd by means of rennet it is transferred into the vat, which is lined with a coarse woven cloth, with a ladle. When a thin layer of curd covers the bottom of the mold a little dry salt is sprinkled over it. This is supposed to create the blue mold often found in Stiltons. Then more curd is added in layers until the vat is full. The whey gradually drains through the cloth and out of the holes into the pan in which the vat stands. After the curd has stood for twenty-four hours a tin disk is laid on the top and a weight applied to hasten the expulsion of the whey. When quite firm the cheese is removed from the vat and placed on a shelf to dry. After some days the cloth is taken off and the cheese is left to ripen in a special room, the temperature of which never varies.—London Answers.

Baiting the Bull.

In the interior of Venezuela and Colombia toro coleado is a feature of fiesta days. A principal street of the town is roped off and a wild bull is liberated. From eight to ten mounted horsemen enter the improvised arena, their only defense against attacks of the bull being their superb horsemanship and a knowledge of how to twist the bull's tail in such a manner as to cause him to tumble over. While the attention of the bull is attracted by some of the party a horseman dashes from the rear at full speed, gives a dextrous twist, and over rolls the bull. This sport is not without its danger, and almost every coleado festival adds to the hospital list. The honor of being champion bull tail twister develops keen competition, for the winner is crowned with flowers by the prettiest girl in the village. Some performers become so expert as to be sure of their twist at a specified point, the great achievement being to bring the animal to the dust just in front of the balcony of one's ladylove.—Argonaut.

Reforming the Boarders.

The boarding house had changed hands, and the regular boarders were changing some of their habits to suit the aggressive new landlady. The sword had fallen rather promiscuously during this pruning of bad habits, but they were all amused when it struck the haughty young professor. Sitting with his head bowed gracefully on his shapely hand, it was his custom to pay no attention to the things that were passed around the breakfast table.

The landlady brought in a plate of hot biscuits and held them in front of him. He did not look up. She jogged his elbow, and, looking up, he said loftily, "I do not care to be disturbed when meditating."

The regular boarders stopped eating, awaiting her reply. She stared at him for a second, then said decidedly: "Hereafter you do your meditatin' somewhere else 'cept when I want these biscuits et."—Indianapolis News.

Mighty Explosive.

It may sound like a joke, but it is nevertheless the truth that the tread of a housefly is sufficient to explode nitrogen iodide. It is not necessary that a fly should walk over the compound. It has only to let one foot come into contact with the explosive, when the jolt causes it to explode and to blow the insect into the air. Another manner in which the peculiar property of this explosive can be demonstrated is by scattering a small quantity of the dry powder over a sheet of clean paper. It then resembles pepper and only needs a few sharp breaths of the manipulator—just sufficient to make them roll—to cause each speck to ignite and explode, meantime giving off a long, thin column of dense purple smoke. If a barrelful of nitrogen iodide could be made it would have to be kept moist to prevent danger. By comparison gunpowder is a mild, innocent, inoffensive material.—London Strand.

Vivisection.

Experiments on living animals were made by Galen (A. D. 175) and by the Greek Alexandrian school and were regarded as a valuable source of knowledge until the breakup of the Roman empire. In modern times vivisection may be said to have begun with the experiments of Dr. William Harvey (1658) and Dr. John Hunter (1750). Vivisection has been more or less generally practiced since the beginning of the nineteenth century, though very often under protest of the various societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals.—Exchange.

Love and Blindness.

Clara (on the wrong side of thirty)—I am sure I don't know what he sees in her. Cholly—Well, love is blind, Clara. Clara—Blind! Nonsense! I never saw a man in love yet who did not see ten times as much in his sweetheart as I could.

Her View.

Sunday School Teacher—What do you understand by suffering for right cousness' sake? Little Girl—Please miss, it means having to come to Sunday school.—London Tit-Bits.

Just the One.

"We want a young fellow of some staying power in this business."

"Then I can heartily recommend my daughter's beau."—Baltimore American.

The wise man expects everything from himself; the fool looks to others.—Jean Paul.

Elephants Hate Camels.

Elephants in Africa have the bitter enmity to camels. When the camel scents the elephant it stops still trembles in all its limbs and utters an interrupted cry of terror and affright. No persuasion, no blows, can induce it to rise. It moves its head backward and forward, and its whole frame is shaken with mortal anguish. The elephant, on the contrary, as soon as he perceives the camel elevates his trunk, stamps with his feet, and, with his trunk thrown backward, snorting with a noise like the sound of a trumpet, he rushes toward the camel, which with its neck outstretched and utterly defenseless awaits with the most patient resignation the approach of its enemy. The elephant, with its enormous, shapeless limbs, tramples on the unfortunate animal in such a manner that in a few minutes it is scattered around in small fragments.

Some Parliaments.

The house of keys of the isle of Man claims to be oldest parliament in the world. It is said to have been founded in A. D. 938 by King Orry.

Channel islanders will tell you that the constitution of their states has remained practically unaltered since the day their sovereign, Duke William, came over to Hastings and annexed England.

In Jersey it consists of twelve jurats elected for life by the twelve parishes, twelve rectors, twelve constables, or mayors, of parishes and fourteen elected deputies, elected every three years. The assembly is presided over by the bailiff, and the attorney general and the vicar speaks out must [illegible] Weekly.

Antics of Volcanoes.

Some curious antics are performed by volcanoes in action. On the island of Savii, in the Samoan group of the south Pacific, a fissure opened late one day in a cocoa plantation. An eruption took place immediately, devastating the whole island. After an eruption by Mount Taal in Luzon, Philippine Islands, five lakes, all of different colors, were left in the crater. Katmai, in Alaska, spread its volcanic dust around the world in less than a month. Mount Pelee thrust a rock plug through its crater nearly 2,000 feet high in a few days. The plug has since scaled until only the stump is left. Bandaisan, in Japan, blew its own head off and then belched streams of hot mud. When the island of Krakatoa, near Sumatra, was destroyed by volcanic ashock the report of the explosion was heard 2,000 miles away. Cotopaxi, in Mexico, once broke loose so suddenly that the snow on its summit was scattered over the surrounding country as blocks of ice.—Kansas City Times.

A True Prodigy.

On June 27, 1725, died Christian Heinnecken. He was only just five, but was already famous. Within a few hours of his birth he could talk and with sense. At ten months he could talk with ease on most subjects; and twelve months he was thoroughly conversant with the Old Testament and in a month made himself equally conversant with the New. Conversant with things sacred, he turned to things secular and at thirty months could answer any ordinary question in geography and history, ancient as well as modern, and when he was taken on a visit to the court of Denmark he conversed in Latin and French. He was then four. But nature had not balanced his prodigious mental digestion with a satisfactory bodily one, for his death at five years of age was due to a change in his food from milk to meat.—London Tatler.

Antioch.

Among the sacred cities of the east Antioch holds a high place, for it was here that the first Christian church was founded; it was, moreover, the center from which St. Paul conducted his missionary campaigns to convert the gentiles. In those days Antioch was a prosperous and thriving city, boasting of a population of half a million souls, while splendid Roman palaces and villas dotted the banks of the river Orontes, which flows through the town. Today, says the Wide World Magazine, it is a sleepy, old world place, occupying scarcely one-tenth of its ancient area, and certainly possessing none of its former glory. Nevertheless it is in many ways a delightfully quaint and picturesque eastern city, with narrow, tortuous streets, every other house in which appears to possess an architectural style of its own.

The Middle Finger.

Why is the middle finger of our hands so much longer than the little finger, and why is the thumb so stubby and short when it would be much more convenient if it were longer? One has to go way back not only centuries of time to find the answer to this "Why is it?" In the history of mankind's beginnings we find that before man saw even the dawn of civilization he used his hands as well as his feet to walk. Now if you will spread your fingers on the floor as if you were going to stand on them you will see what a good arrangement it was to have the fingers of different length; they give a well balanced support that fingers of equal length could not give. So it was to help prehistoric man and not man of the twentieth century that nature give us fingers of varying length.—Wisconsin State Journal.

Jam, From "Jamaica."

Jam seems to take its name from Jamaica and is comparatively a modern luxury. Galt in his "Annals of the Parish" states that the fashion of jam making was introduced into Scotland about 1760, when berry bushes were planted by "some of our young men that had been sailors coming from Jamaica," and the condiment was valued in the first place chiefly as "an excellent medicine for a sore throat." A writer in Hone's "Everyday Book," in 1826, deplored the fact that jam could not be "purchased at the shops as other articles of consumption are."—London Mail.

Pretty Tranquil.

"I would like to lead a tranquil existence," said the troubled man of affairs.

"About how tranquil?" asked his hard worked secretary.

The other thought a moment. "Oh," he answered, "about as tranquil a life as a germ leads on a $1,000 bill."—Chicago News.

Deduction.

"Tell me what you eat, and I will tell you what you are," boasted an amateur sage.

"Well, I ate a Welsh rabbit and a lemon pie last night."

"You're simply a fool."—Kansas City Journal.

The Past.

"The past is dead," exclaimed the poet.

"Not half so dead as some people would like it to be," said the philosopher.—Philadelphia Record.

Sympathy.

Juror—We acquitted him out of sympathy. Friend—For his aged mother? Juror—Oh, no; for having such a lawyer.—Exchange.

The things that never happen are often as much realities to us in their effects as those that are accomplished.

Words and Deeds.

An eminent bishop was advocating a more liberal loosening of the purse strings, and during a sermon one day told his congregation that at one time he sent an article to a paper, in which he said, "We pray too loud and work too little."

The intelligent compositor did a most satisfying job, and when it appeared it read: "We pray too loud and work too little."

"I let it go at that," said the bishop. "The fact is, I believe the printer was right, and I never ventured to correct him."—National Monthly.

Ultima Thule.

The ultima Thule of the ancients was declared by Pliny and other ancient writers to be Iceland. Says Pliny, "It is an island in the Northern ocean discovered by Pytheas after sailing six days from Orcades." Others considered the most "distant northern land" to be Shetland.

Practical.

"Darling, I think of you every moment in the day."

"Law sakes, Tom, give some attention to your work or you'll get fired."—Baltimore American.

His Face.

"Does your face hurt much?"

"No Johnnie. What made you think my face ached?"

"Sister said you were painfully homely."—Judge.

While He Takes a Tablet.

Alice—Does your husband talk much about his mother's cooking? Kate (smartly)—Some, but not as much as he does about mine.—Boston Transcript.

A Strange Memorial.

From the window of a trolley car on a line that connects several small cities and large villages in central New York the traveler can see a scythe swinging from the limb of a tall tree. To be perfectly accurate, it does not swing any longer, for it has hung there so many years that the tree has grown round it, and now holds it tightly in its place.

In the early days of our own great war a young man was mowing in his father's fields with this scythe. While he worked his thoughts must have been on his country, for suddenly he hung the scythe on the tree with the words, "Hung there until I come back." He had made up his mind to enlist.

He never came back. Like so many other patriotic young men, he gave his life to his country and the gift was accepted. Having heard his words his parents let no one remove the scythe. Year after year on the sacred anniversary of his death, his friends have gathered under that tree and kept his memory green. There is probably no other memorial in the world like the hanging scythe.—Youth's Companion.

Perpetual Motion.

A discovery which seems to be the equivalent of perpetual motion was described by Professor Whitehead at a meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He declared that by subjecting a closed coil of lead wire to practically absolute zero temperature, and starting a flow of electricity therein by some external means, Professor Kamerlingh Onnes of Leyden, Germany, succeeded in maintaining a continuous current without the expenditure of energy. To obtain the extremely low temperature necessary to make the experiment a success the coil was immersed in liquid helium. The current was started in the wire by magnetic induction the flow of electricity persisting. It is declared for four and one half hours after the magnetic influence was removed. It was stated that if the experiment had not been terminated when it was the current would probably have continued to flow indefinitely.—Electrical World.

Boots and a Bishop.

The bishop of Yukon says that on one of his longest journeys he and his companions were reduced to eating their sealskin coats. They set out to visit the Eskimos along the Arctic coast and, having accomplished this stage of the journey, hoped to cross the great divide over the Rocky mountains in order to reach Dawson City. The sickness of an Indian guide delayed them, the winter set in earlier than usual, and the travelers had to pass through a region where they could scarcely any food for. When they began to eat their sealskin boots they had less than two pounds of flour, a little bacon and a handful of rice. The boots they toasted, and the bishop remarked that they found them palatable enough. When they came to eat the tops of the boots the bishop recorded the fact that they were "not as good as the soles."—New York Journal.

Dogs of War.

Dogs have gone to the wars from the earliest times. They barked at the siege of Troy. In those early days, however, they were used as sentinels and for purposes of defense. In the middle ages they attacked. The tracking mission of the Scottish bloodhound has been noted, but the dogs were also used to attack cavalry. For this duty they were clothed in coats of mail studded with spikes and scythes to confuse the horses. And when firebrands were also attached to the mail the opposing camp looked for fire extinguishers. That these dogs played no mean part in the field is proved by the fact that Henry VIII offered the Spanish king Charles V., 40,000 auxiliaries and 4,000 war dogs to help him against Francis I.—London Chronicle.

Criminals Used a Textbook.

The late Sir Howard Vincent, M. P., when head of the criminal investigation department of Scotland Yard, wrote a very comprehensive book for the benefit of young constables. It told them how to act on every possible occasion, from capturing a burglar to consoling a lost child. But unfortunately, the information it contained as to police methods was equally valuable to criminals, who profited by its tips to such an extent that the book was suppressed, and thenceforth constables were instructed by word of mouth.—London Express.

The Ideal Husband.

"Yes, I may say I have an ideal husband."

"An Apollo for looks, a Chesterfield for manners," rhapsodized the girl.

"Those things don't count in husbands, my dear. Mine stays fairly sober and brings most of his salary home."—Pittsburgh Post.

What Supports Them.

Bill—Switzerland is noted for its scenery, you know. Jill—Yes, but a person can't live on scenery. "Well, the hotel proprietors seem to be doing pretty well at it."—Yonkers Statesman.

Fashionable Service.

"My plate is damp."

"Hush," whispered his wife. "That's your soup. They serve small portions at these fashionable affairs."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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"You had lost six of them before your son died," the artist replied.

Pretty Tough.

Old Scotchwoman—The last steak I got frae ye I could nae soled ma boots wi' it. Butcher—And why did ye no dae it? Woman—So I wid if I could hae got the peck tae gang through it.—Boston Transcript.

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A story is told of an encounter between Queen Victoria and Mr. Gladstone.

Mr. Gladstone in an audience with the queen one day produced a list of people whom he wished to be made peers. The queen demurred and said, "I cannot create as many as this, Mr. Gladstone."

Whereupon Mr. Gladstone, who sometimes got into a temper, tore the list up. The queen flushed slightly, but said nothing to Mr. Gladstone, who shortly afterward quitted the royal presence.

Some short time later Mr. Gladstone presented a new list, much shorter than on the previous occasion.

The queen, without looking at it, tore it up. It was then Mr. Gladstone's turn to flush.—New York Sun.

Wonders of the Soil.

Professor W. B. Bottomley, in a lecture recently delivered at the royal botanic gardens, said that a clod of earth might seem to have no romance in it, but it was one of the most wonderful things imaginable. The soil was alive, it was a living machine, where microbes so small that 10,000,000 to 100,000,000 were contained in enough earth to cover a halfpenny were working together in a systematic way. They could not be seen and were only known by their work, and the greatest benefactors to the human race were those who promoted their activities. The wise gardener looked after their well being, for without them there would be no plant life and no human life, since all nutriment was drawn from the soil.—London Globe.

Modesty.

Dribbler—In my opinion a man who writes an illegible hand does it because he thinks people are willing to puzzle over it. In other words, he is a chunk of conceit.

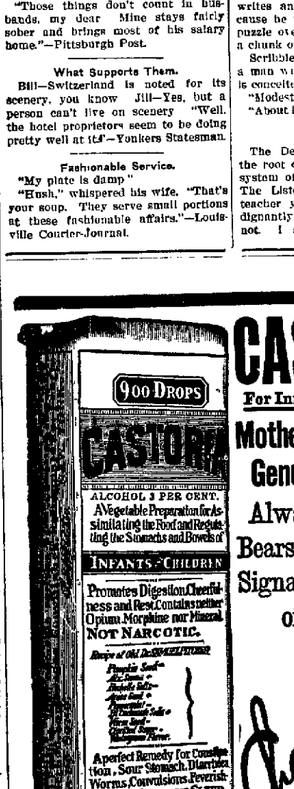
Scribbler—Not always. Sometimes a man writes illegibly not because he is conceited but because he is modest.

"Modest! What about?"

"About his spelling."—London Mail.

A Step Higher.

The Delegate—I tell you, sir, that the root of trouble of the educational system of this nation is the teacher. The Listener—But, say, ain't you a teacher yourself? The Delegate (indignantly)—A teacher, sir! Certainly not. I am an educator!



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